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# Pi Beta Phi earns residence

*Pi Phi to be next  
living group to  
join dorm row*

By Rob McQueen  
NEWS EDITOR

Last Tuesday, MIT sorority Pi Beta Phi (Pi Phi) received a bid from the MIT Housing Office to lease 405 Memorial Drive, the house previously occupied by the Alpha Tau Omega fraternity. After occupancy terms are discussed between MIT and Pi Phi and a formal agreement is signed, the sorority will be able to move into the new house starting in Fall 2012.

Before Pi Phi can move into the house, final renovations must be completed. The house has already been renovated with new exterior brickwork, new windows, and plumbing. To make the house compliant with the standards set by the Americans with Disabilities Act, the kitchen has been torn out and replaced as a wheelchair accessible entrance. According to Henry J. Humphreys of the Department of Residential Life and Dining, the final renovations should be done within the next month.

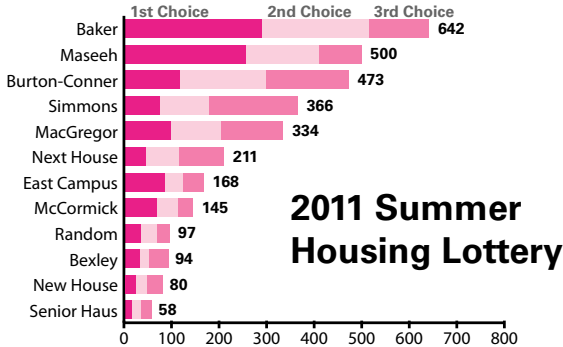
As part of the five-year lease agreement, all Pi Phi sisters who live at 405 Memorial Drive must subscribe to the new dining plan because the house will no longer include a kitchen. Humphreys says the current lease agreement will give Pi Phi a separate dining area where

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## Get ready ... get set ... land-yacht!



TOP: ROBIN L. DEITS; BOTTOM: JENNIFER WANG  
**East Campus and Maseeh Hall residents race land-yachts** during REX on Tuesday. A frenzied week-long build followed EC's challenge to Maseeh last week. Although both teams had produced fully functional yachts, there was not enough wind to race. The teams are looking forward to racing on the next windy day. **Top:** Maseeh students strap a rollerblade to their yacht. **Bottom:** EC and Maseeh racers gather outside 7-11 in Technology Square.



## Baker, Maseeh top summer lottery

*51% of New House frosh want out*

By Ethan A. Solomon  
EDITOR IN CHIEF

MIT has finally finished the most complex housing cycle in recent memory. The 460-bed Maseeh Hall opened alongside a substantial overhaul of the Institute's undergraduate dining system. Both Maseeh and the dining system were predicted to influence the choices freshmen make about where they want to live.

Three of the five most popular choices in the June freshmen summer housing lottery were dining dorms. Baker took the top spot, followed by Maseeh Hall, Burton-Conner, Simmons, and MacGregor — Baker, Maseeh, and Simmons are on the new mandatory dining plan. Next House and McCormick

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## Online registration pilots

Class registration is stepping into the 21st century. This year, students majoring in courses 4, 14, 15, 16, 18, 21W, and 24 will take part in an online registration pilot program, which will eventually replace the current paper mechanism for class registration. This program is one of the first steps of MIT's three-year "Education Systems Roadmap," which aims to digitize, streamline, and centralize operations at MIT.

The new registration is entirely online. First, students will log into the system and will be presented with their online registration forms populated with pre-registration data. At any point in the registration process prior to advisor approval, students can make additions, deletions, or reset their selections to the

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## IN SHORT

- La Verdes will resume its 24-hour service** to-night. Now you can drink all the midnight coffee you want.
- Interested in student groups?** Activities Midway is today 4 p.m.–6:30 p.m. at the Johnson Athletic Center.
- Fraternity and sorority rush** starts this Saturday at 12 p.m. at the Killian Kickoff in Killian Court.
- Petside.com recently ranked MIT the #7 most pet-friendly college** of 2011. Topping the list was Eckerd College, which allows pets in one of their academic buildings, Brown Hall. Meow!
- Ready for classes?** Registration day is next Tuesday.
- Send news information and tips to** [news@tech.mit.edu](mailto:news@tech.mit.edu).

# MIT welcomes Pfizer to the neighborhood

*Pharma giant signs 10-year lease on future 610 Main St. complex*

By Ethan A. Solomon  
EDITOR IN CHIEF

Pharmaceutical giant Pfizer announced yesterday that it signed a 10-year lease with MIT for 180,000 square feet of space in a building to be constructed at 610 Main St. The site is just north of MIT's main campus in the Technology Square area, several blocks up Main St. from the Kendall Square T-stop. Pfizer predicts they will move into the new building when it is completed by the end of 2013.

According to a Pfizer press release, the space will house the company's Cardiovascular, Metabolic, and Endocrine Disease (CVMED) and Neuroscience Research Units. The move will bring about 400 new jobs to Cam-

bridge, said the release. Pfizer's expansion comes amidst a continuing push by MIT to bring high-tech companies to the Kendall Square area. MIT announced the development of the

space at 610 Main — currently a parking lot — earlier this year, in addition to a substantial overhaul of the area surrounding the Kendall T-stop.

"The agreement is good for the



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**Rendering of a lobby view of the future 610 Main St. complex.** Pfizer announced yesterday it is signing a 10-year lease for 180,000 square feet of the yet-unconstructed building, predicted to be complete by the end of 2013.

growing innovation hub in Kendall Square, good for Cambridge, and good for MIT," said President Susan J. Hockfield in a statement on the MIT News Office website.

In the time before the construction is complete, the CVMED and neuroscience research groups will occupy Pfizer's building at 620 Memorial Dr. According to the press release, CVMED will move to the Memorial Dr. location at the "end of this summer," and the neuroscience group will follow in 2012.

MIT has also launched a website to market the 610 Main property — <http://sixtenmit.com/>. A map on the site suggests that the new complex at 610 Main will consist of two buildings — "South" and "North," with a courtyard between them.

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# India and Pakistan exchange fire in Kashmir

By Lydia Polgreen  
THE NEW YORK TIMES

NEW DELHI — Indian and Pakistani troops exchanged fire over the border that divides the disputed province of Kashmir late Wednesday night, military officials in both countries said Thursday.

Each accused the other of starting the shooting. Maj. Gen.

Athar Abbas, the Pakistani army spokesman, said that Indian soldiers had killed three Pakistani soldiers in a volley of gunfire that was “totally unprovoked.”

But Col. J.S. Brar, a spokesman for the Indian army in Kashmir, said that the shooting began over an infiltration attempt by Pakistani militants on Tuesday night and that Indian troops had fired across the contentious border

only after incoming fire wounded one of their soldiers. An Indian officer was killed, he added.

“The Indian army has never violated the cease-fire,” Brar said.

Abbas said that Indian soldiers fired on three Pakistani paramilitary soldiers who were moving from one post to another in the Neelum Valley.

“They were engaged by fire from across the Line of Control,”

Abbas said, referring to the line that divides the disputed territory between the two estranged neighbors. “Subsequently, they lost their way, and later on their bodies were recovered yesterday.”

Brar described the episode as an “infiltration attempt,” adding that if “anybody tries to infiltrate to our side, whether a soldier or a terrorist, we will try to stop it.”

For more than six years, the

two countries have maintained a cease-fire along the Line of Control. Brar insisted that the cease-fire had not been violated, but Abbas said that it had.

“We strongly protest this unprovoked violation of the cease-fire,” he said. “Three troops lost their lives. This is serious business. We would like to know why it happened, and why our troops were fired upon.”

## WEATHER

### In Irene’s Wake, Katia Strengthens

By Vince Agard  
STAFF METEOROLOGIST

Just days after Hurricane Irene killed at least 54 people and caused widespread flooding in the northeast United States, another tropical cyclone is brewing in the tropical Atlantic Ocean. Tropical Storm Katia, which last night was downgraded from hurricane status, is expected to regain that status today, and is forecast to in-

tensify in the next few days as it moves westward toward the North American continent. In fact, Katia could become a major hurricane by early next week. Whether or Katia will threaten the U.S. will depend on the strength of the subtropical ridge several days out, which will dictate whether the storm turns to the north, or continues westward toward land. Still, Katia will not begin to near land for more than a week.

#### Extended Forecast

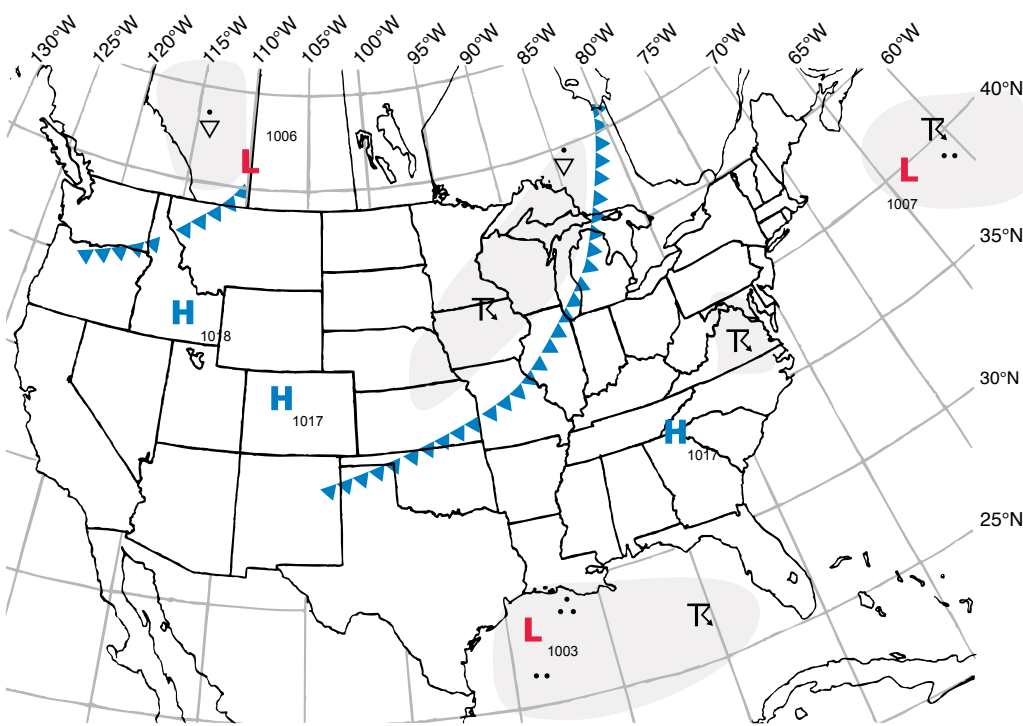
**Today:** Sunny and calm, high 77 °F (25 °C). Winds E at around 9 mph.

**Tonight:** Clear and calm, low 57 °F (14 °C). Winds becoming W at around 5 mph.

**Tomorrow:** Mostly sunny and breezier, high 86 °F (30 °C). Winds SW at 10-15 mph.

**Sunday:** Partly cloudy with a chance of showers or thunderstorms. Highs in the low 80s °F (27 °C).

**Monday:** Partly cloudy with a chance of showers or thunderstorms. Highs in the low 80s °F (27 °C).



Situation for Noon Eastern Time, Friday, September 2, 2011

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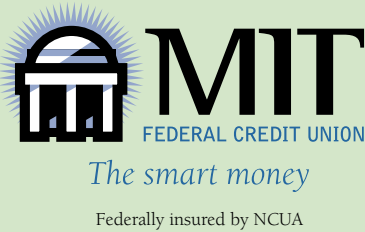
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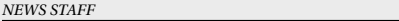
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# Why life trumps choice

**By Ryan Normandin**  
*OPINION EDITOR*

The abortion debate centers on two rights fundamental to American society: life and liberty. The two sides say as much, with one labeling itself “pro-life” and the other “pro-choice.” In general, it is accepted that individuals are free to do as they choose as long as those choices do not harm others, society, or themselves, within reason. There is certainly some leeway here, as the boundary between “not harmful enough” and “too harmful” is often fuzzy. We’ve seen this in the implementation and subsequent repeal of Prohibition, the debate over the legalization of marijuana, and other differences between states’ laws.

But in the case of abortion, there is no fuzziness. The pro-choice individuals argue that, in fact, there is substantial fuzziness; after all, we do not know when a human life really begins. Thus, in the Supreme Court's landmark *Roe v. Wade* decision, the majority opinion says that should it ever become determined when life begins, abortions would not be able to take place after that point, for the life would then be in possession of its Constitutional rights. Until such a time, many states tend to use the rather arbitrary metric suggested by the Court: if a fetus can survive outside the womb, then an abortion should not be performed. The reason this is a ridiculous measure is because whether or not a fetus can survive outside the womb is entirely dependent upon our technology; it is in no way a measure of whether or not the fetus is "alive." It is unbelievably presumptuous and arrogant to establish such an arbitrary moment when the fetus "becomes alive" rather than err on the side of caution. What happens if it is scientifically, irrefutably determined that life begins at some moment prior to when the fetus is viable outside the womb? Oops, we killed a few million babies, our mistake.

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In fact, the moment when life begins is irrelevant to the abortion debate. First, an individual's entire genome is determined at conception. Everything from their hair color to the shape of their nose is determined, barring some external circumstances later in life. And whether or not one believes that life begins at conception, there is no arguing that if an abortion is done at the point of conception or later, there will be one less person in the United States nine months down the road than if that abortion had not taken place.

If I asked a group of people if they were okay with me planting a bomb in their home, I'd bet they would have an issue with that. Why? It's not as though I'm literally putting the bomb down on the ground is going to hurt them. Rather, it is because when the timer on that bomb runs out, they will not be alive at that later time. In the context of abortion, one cannot ask a fetus if it minds if it is terminated. But, once speech and the ability to reason are acquired, I guarantee that not a single 3-year-old child would say, "Yeah, it would've been fine if you'd prevented me from existing!" The child would not particularly care about whether, scientifically speaking, it was alive or not at a given time.

The only relevant thing to consider is that an abortion would have prevented the child from being alive at a later time. What time the bomb goes off is irrelevant; at the end of the day, they're dead.

At this point, many pro-choice individuals try to twist the argument, claiming that denying women the right to an abortion is in fact an infringement of women's rights — particularly their right to privacy. This is an undeniable perversion of what the right to privacy entails, and I am shocked that the Supreme

Court justified abortion through this avenue. I can invoke my right to privacy to not share my personal information, to get a tattoo or not get a tattoo, to not permit individuals into my home without a search warrant, and choose what I will eat for meals. Essentially, I control who has access to my “body, home, thoughts, feelings, secrets and identity,” as one Israeli law school has phrased it.

Does the right to privacy allow a bus driver to murder his passengers? Or a principal to kill his students? Of course not — the very idea is ludicrous. Yet pro-choice individuals claim that a mother who is charged with carrying and caring for her child should be able to destroy the genetically-determined individual

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inside her womb because she has a right to privacy. The fact that whether or not the right to privacy extends to murder has been debated between intelligent individuals is an embarrassment and a sick distortion of what is a very important right in American society.

Some individuals try to find common ground and to compromise, arguing that abortion should be illegal except in cases of rape, incest, or a threat to the mother's life. I, for one, applaud compromise, and find the lack of it (in one party) in Congress appalling, shameful, and worthy of defeat in a reelection bid. But let me be clear: compromise is for differences of opinion. It is about recognizing that different constituencies desire different things, and doing the best to deliver to each group a bit of what they want. When it comes to human life, there should be no such thing as compromise.

I am not trivializing rape, nor can I imagine being told that having a baby would likely result in my death. Both impose an emotional burden greater than anyone, with the exception of those having experienced it, could imagine. Even so, it does not justify abortion. As many of us were probably told as young children, two wrongs do not make a right. Rape is a horrible, inhuman crime, but it is not the child's fault, and the unborn baby should not be punished for the crimes of his father any more than the son of a thief should be sent to prison. In the case of the mother's life hanging in the balance, all that can be done is to try to save both lives. Deliberately ending the pregnancy to save the mother is tantamount to putting a higher value on the life of the mother than that of the child, and we all know that "all men are created equal."

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There are also some who claim that it is more merciful to abort a fetus that would enter a home environment where it is unwanted or unable to be cared for. This argument is like grasping at straws. The United States has an adoption apparatus for a reason, and this is one of them. Even if a child is born into an awful environment, is abused, sent to a foster home, abused again, and ends up on the streets or in jail, this does not justify abortion any more than one could justify simply killing all homeless, incarcerated, and abused individuals to “put them out of their misery.” The killing of so many adults is horrific, but that’s exactly what is being suggested we do to individuals who are far more vulnerable and cannot even offer their thoughts on the matter.

The final argument forwarded by pro-choice proponents is that further restrictions on abortion or an outright

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# Abortion is a fundamental right

**By Michael Veldman**  
*STAFF COLUMNIST*

The debate over abortion is plagued by misconceptions and misinformation. Just last spring I received a pamphlet from a campus pro-life group claiming that abortion raises the risk of breast cancer, yet if we can consider the National Cancer Institute at the National Institutes of Health as a trustworthy source, this factoid has been thoroughly debunked. On the flip-side, some pro-choice advocates still maintain that an embryo is not alive. Even without this surplus obfuscation the issue is complicated and delicate; both positions in the debate represent legitimate values on their own terms. In the interest of clarity, I will attempt to put forth a reasoned argument in favor of a person's right to an abortion.

To begin, let us first agree on a few premises. First, that life begins at conception, and second, that this creature once conceived is human. To suggest otherwise would be patently absurd. A zygote is every bit as alive as an amoeba and has as complete a genome as every human walking the earth. To spend any more time on these details would be counterproductive.

How, then, comes the right to an abortion? I — and every other serious pro-choice advocate I have met or read — maintain that the relevant characteristic that might save a precious embryo is neither life nor humanity, but personhood. With a little effort, everyone can think of instances where the life of a friend, a teacher, a parent, or any fully-formed, thinking, desiring, yearning, sweating, striving human being is worth more than some other creature that is either alive, a member of *homo sapiens*, or both.

Now let's assume for the sake of argument that both embryos and fetuses qualify as persons. Two of the more curious positions among the pro-life camp are that abortion should not be allowed in cases of fertilization by rape and not in cases where the pregnant person's life is threatened by the pregnancy. Here comes the much beloved thought experiment: suppose a person was sexually coerced such that they were carrying a 30-year-old man who had lived his life normally until that point instead of an embryo. Further suppose that the burdens of carrying this man are the same as those attributable to a normal pregnancy.

So, should the violated person be forced to allow the man to feed off of, essentially parasitize, their body, or can they elect to remove him before his nine months are up, thus killing him? I think that the answer is quite obviously the latter. All people have a right to bodily autonomy — we all decide what happens to our own bodies. If and when they are hijacked by other creatures (whether or not they meant to do it) we have a right to remove them. That being said, it would be an admirable and tremendously moral sacrifice to carry that burden for nine months. Choice does not preclude choosing to carry the fetus (or in this case the man). But just as we do not force people to donate blood or organs, no matter how many lives it would save, we cannot force people to rent out their bodies.

On to the point at which “pro-life” often becomes precisely the opposite: cases where the pregnant person’s life is threatened. This is the arena where the social conservative’s bogeyman, the “partial-birth abortion,” comes into play. If you are seriously under the impression that if a person is going to die by carrying their fetus to term, then they ought to be required by law to do so to save the life of the creature inside them, then I don’t know what to tell you other than that perhaps you should reconsider your values if you wish to remain a part of the greater moral community of humanity. I would, however, like to say a bit on this topic of “partial-birth abortion.”

It is useful to note that the term “partial-birth abortion” does not exist in the medical lexicon and is not recognized by the American Medical Association. The term was coined by U.S. Representative Charles Canady (R-FL) in 1995 and its use is almost entirely restricted to American political theater. The closest relevant medical term is “intact dilation and extraction,” or IDX.

Many who are opposed to it describe it as a gruesome procedure, and perhaps it is; it involves making an incision at the base of the fetus's skull then using a catheter to suction out the brain and make it easier to pass the head. The Partial-Birth Abortion Ban Act of 2003 ended the procedure in most cases but left very curious loopholes. For instance, it does not affect procedures in which the fetus's body is dismembered in utero or when the fetus is fully delivered then left to die of asphyxiation; it only bans those procedures where the fetus is first partially delivered then killed and fully removed.

But after all this talk, I have only covered a minority of circumstances under which abortion is performed. According to the Guttmacher Institute, about 90 percent of medical abortions occur before the 13th gestational week and only about 1 percent after the 20th week. What's more, they typically do not involve rape or threat of maternal death. Now, for those who consider the origin of a fully-fledged human being to be the moment of conception, take note that as many as 50 percent of all pregnancies end in spontaneous abortion. Most of these occur because of the zygote's failure to implant on the uterine wall after conception. If these beings are the moral equivalents of you or me, why don't pro-life advocates spend massive amounts of resources and time campaigning to prevent this truly astonishing loss of human life? They could say that it is a part of nature, that it is "God's plan," perhaps, but I doubt they would say the same thing if their own bodies came down with a curable, life-threatening illness. They might suggest that about half of those potential people are genetically unfit, thus their elimination is justified, but that smacks of eugenics.

If you consider any of the characteristics of people like you and me that make our lives worth preserving, you will find that embryos embody none of them. We are moral agents; we can think and make choices; we can have desires and the desire to live; we are capable of suffering and of happiness and inflicting these feelings on others; we have memories and a history and a story. This is why we can swat a fly buzzing around our ears with minimal moral panic but can't shoot the tall dude blocking your view at a concert. All of those qualities come together to justify our own existence when we are a hindrance to another person living their life. None of those qualities apply to a 10-week embryo inside a poor woman who cannot afford another child because she needs to feed the two she already has.

While I do believe that there is a point in a non-forced and safe pregnancy after which induced abortion should not be allowed, the preponderance of pro-life activism is not concerned with finding this point; rather the goal appears to be keeping poor people poor. If you consider the effects of all the various bans and restrictions, it becomes painfully obvious that the people who will suffer are going to be disproportionately young, low-income, and non-white. As it has been pointed out before, the affluent will always be able to find a competent doctor to rid them of an unwanted pregnancy. For the poor, it's quite a different matter; according to the World Health Organization, 68,000 women — primarily from developing countries — die each year from unsafe abortion. When pro-life activists target organizations like Planned Parenthood they are doing irreparable harm to the communities they serve, but most of the damage has nothing to do with moving clinical abortions to the back-alley. A Planned Parenthood center doesn't just provide cheap abortions for struggling people, it also provides STD testing and treatment, cancer screenings, contraception services, HPV vaccinations, Pap smears and pregnancy tests, among other things. Around 75 percent of all the people who received these services from Planned Parenthood were below 150 percent of the federal poverty line.

Take note that in 2009 Planned Parenthood helped over 7,000 people safely carry their pregnancies to term and helped almost 1,000 people find an adoption.

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The pro-life case

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ban would lead to “back-alley” abortions. This is not an argument at all; it is a claim. It is a claim that is very likely true, but it in no way logically leads to the

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conclusion that abortion should not be banned or restricted. Do back-alley heroin deals prevent us from outlawing heroin? Since there are back-alley murders, robberies, and vandalism, why don’t we just legalize those crimes too? It is common sense to state that, if something is made illegal, there are still going to be individuals who do it. In the context of

abortions, the people who make this claim are concerned because if someone is conducting an abortion in a “back-alley”, it is doubtful they’ll be doing it in a medically safe way. I have some news for these folks: there’s no medically safe way to murder someone. Regardless of how it’s done, in the end, they’re dead. And if the mother contracts an infection because of her illegal acts, that is unfortunate, but when you do something illegal, you know the risks. Whether it is a disease, a stint in jail, or even death, terrible acts often have terrible consequences.

If you truly believe that, on the list of civil rights, liberty trumps life, then there is nothing I can argue to convince you otherwise. The argument I have made is based on the assumption that liberty is a right insofar as it does not infringe on others’ rights, of which the greatest of these is life. For without life, none of the other rights matter.

The pro-choice case

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agency. This highlights one of the most misunderstood aspects of the pro-choice platform. We want people who want to have babies to have them. Pro-life advocates often trot out the argument that otherwise-aborted children could simply be put up for adoption or enter foster care. The sad fact is that there aren’t enough loving homes to accommodate even the children we already have, let alone the hundreds of thousands more per year that would enter society if abortion were nonexistent. According to the Department of Health and Human Services, well over 100,000 children under age 16 in foster care find themselves without permanent parents at the end of the year. A study by Mark Courtney at the University of Chicago revealed that “37 percent of foster youth aged 17–20 had not completed [a] high school degree or received a GED” and that

“12 percent of the youth reported being homeless at least once since leaving care.” Clearly these youth are not being served well by the system.

If ostensibly pro-life individuals actually care about the lives and the well-being of real people, they would support programs like family planning, food assistance, and other social safety nets. If pro-life individuals actually wanted to reduce the number of abortions, they would support programs that educate and empower women, provide sex education beyond proselytizing abstinence, and provide medical care to the poor. I think we can all agree that abortion is not inherently a “positive” thing — arguably ending any life is at least a little bad — but if we want to be serious about how to reduce the incidence of abortion, the answer is not to ban the procedure but to address the underlying causes that drive people to obtain them.

Embracing Africa’s newest nation

From the ashes of decades of conflict, opportunity rises

By Rachel Bandler  
STAFF COLUMNIST

After decades of brutal fighting that left millions dead, South Sudan finally seceded from the North on July 9, forming the Republic of South Sudan. Led by President Salva Kiir, the South has many serious obstacles to overcome, including vast poverty, ongoing conflict with the north, and internal tribal violence. Regardless, secession is a vital step on Sudan’s journey towards a long-awaited prosperity, and it is important that the United States not only endorses the split, but also extends support to the months-old nation during this critical time of development, when the South’s government can so easily unravel.

Demographically, Sudan is largely comprised of Arabs and Muslims in the north and Christians and Animists in the south. This cultural and religious divide has led to fierce fighting between the North and South for almost the entirety of Sudan’s post-colonial existence, beginning in 1956. Highly contested border regions, such as the Abyei region, have fueled the ongoing conflict.

Since 1983 Sudan has been ruled by Omar Hassan al-Bashir, the leader of a small group of Arabs who has reportedly sent death squads to Darfur, collaborated with Osama bin Laden, and been indicted for war

crimes by the International Criminal Court. Although the South has fought for its independence for decades, it only achieved its goal this year with a referendum for secession that passed with 99 percent of voters in the south. This internationally supported referendum solidified the independence of the Republic of South Sudan, which had been partially autonomous since 1995.

The United States, along with the rest of the Western world, should reach out with guidance and support to the fledgling Republic of South Sudan and help maintain her independence. Moreover, in a region where ethnic violence is highly retaliatory, it is important to help the South and North learn not only to exist alongside one another, but also to form a relationship of cooperation. This is especially true because their

the two countries to invest in each other, for example, by exclusively buying oil which both the North and South helped produce. This should be especially appealing to North Sudan, which is currently faced with heavy economic sanctions by the United States.

For cooperation to emerge, the North must accept the South’s independence as reality. It is unrealistic to believe that the North and South will ever have overly warm relations, especially after the years of fighting and long history of hatred between them. On the other hand, functional neutrality — perhaps with some amiability — is possible if the North and South learn, over time, to trust one another. This will lead to mutual success, and will benefit both nations.

The take home message of Sudan’s experience is an anti-imperialist one. Not only

acquiesced, a fact that has been observed throughout history. For instance, it was ethnic tensions and nationalism that led to the “powder keg” in the Balkans and ultimately contributed to the outbreak of World War I.

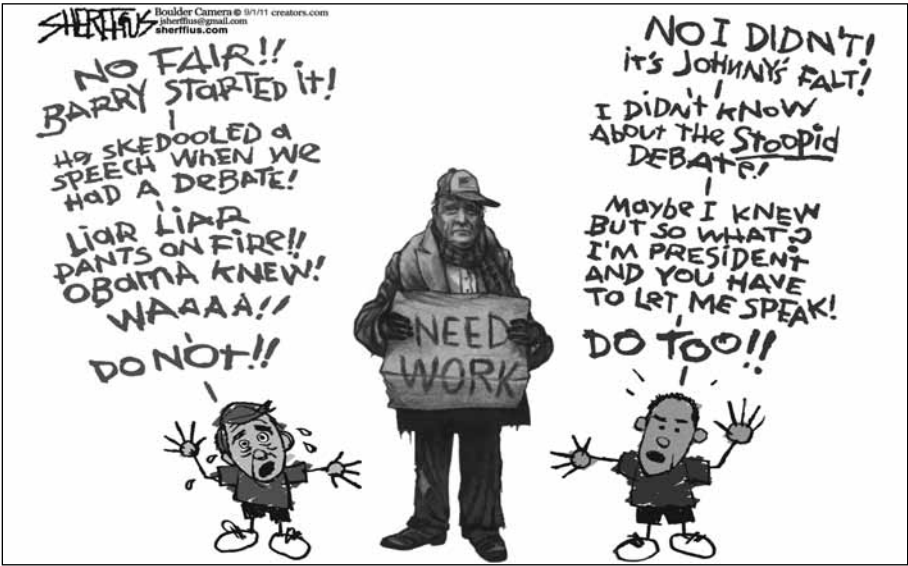
To this day, however, no complete borders dividing the North and South have been defined, resulting in high instability along their interface. Determining the borders of a state is far from simple, and certainly cannot be determined simply by land area or resources. Sudan’s history has shown that ethnic and religious demographics need to be considered, along with security concerns and historical claims to the land; no continent can be arbitrarily carved into pieces.

That is why the Republic of South Sudan needs to be bolstered — because a failure to do so could mean a collapse of the government, regress to chaos and suppression, a likely retaliation from the North, and the continuation of a conflict caused by imposed borders. On a positive note, doing so can help the Republic of South Sudan develop into a staunch democratic ally for the U.S., which should be warmly welcomed considering the radical Islamic ties of nearby countries, including North Sudan. After a long history of suffering and death, then, the Republic of South Sudan is a nation to be celebrated and welcomed by the international community.

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economies are intertwined and codependent; the South contains about 75 percent of Sudan’s crude oil reserves, while the North has the necessary refineries and pipelines to process and transport the oil. In order to encourage cooperation, the United States should provide an economical incentive for

was it unwise for the northern and southern regions of Sudan to be joined as one, but it was fatal for millions of citizens. Forcefully combining African and Arab cultures, where the latter would come to politically suppress the former, was recipe for disaster. Nationalism is a force that cannot be easily



# Low turnout for adjustment lottery, higher transfer rate

16% of frosh ask to move, 80% successfully transfer dorms; Baker, Bexley have highest retention-preference rate

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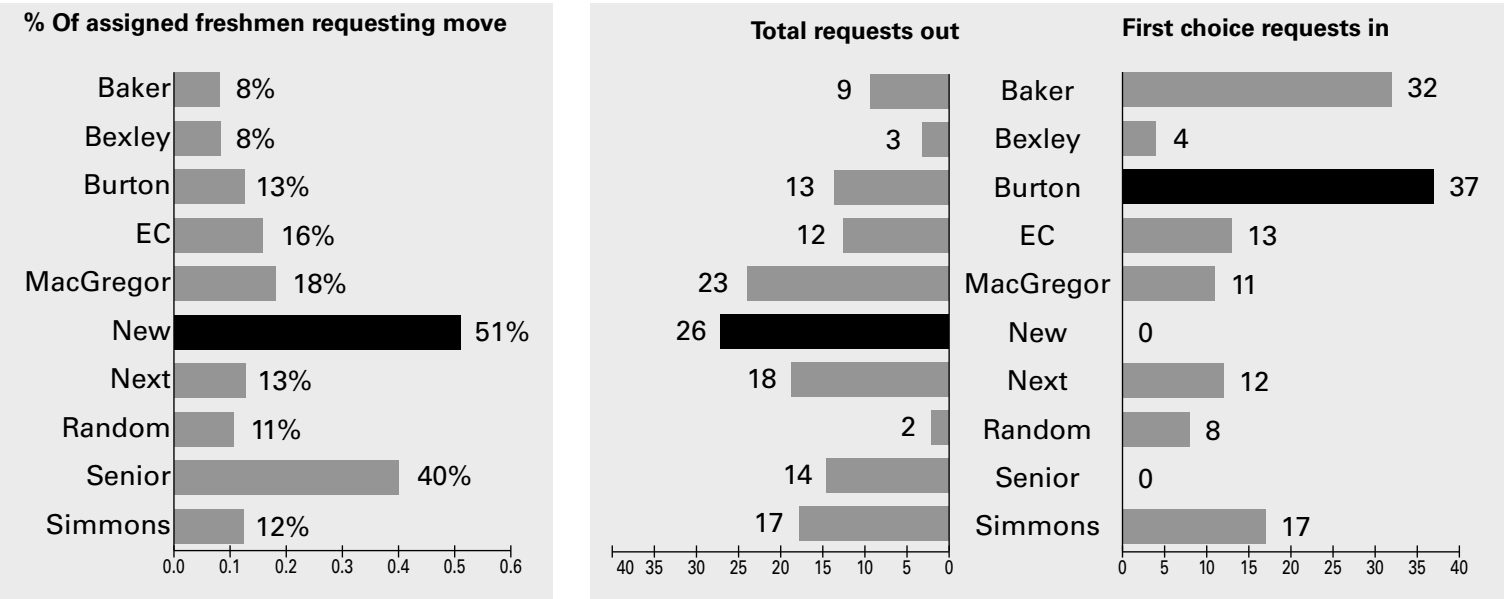
Hall, which also have mandatory dining plans, took the No. 6 and No. 8 spots in the preference ranking, respectively. Aside from cultural houses in New House, Senior House received the fewest first, second, or third choice options.

Aside from the new popularity of Maseeh Hall — which was never before an option — these results are not drastically different compared to 2010 and 2009 numbers. Last year, Burton-Conner, Baker, Simmons, MacGregor and New House rounded out the top five. In 2009, the top five were Baker, Simmons, Burton-Conner, MacGregor, and Next House, in that order.

But what about the adjustment lottery? What kind of impact did the residence exploration period (REX) have on dorm preferences?

First, remember that Maseeh Hall and McCormick Hall do not permit residents to enter the adjustment lottery. Second, note that 137 freshmen entered the re-adjustment lottery. That's 12 percent of the total class, or 16 percent of those eligible to move.

Assuming all else is equal, the mandatory dining plan did not appear to have a significant impact on the adjustment preferences this year compared to 2010. Only 12 percent of freshmen originally assigned to Simmons and 8 percent assigned to Baker requested to leave (14 and 10 percent last year, respectively). Next House, in fact, had significantly more loyal freshmen this year — only 13



**Transfer request rates in the 2011 adjustment lottery. Right:** first-choice requests into and total requests out of adjustment-eligible dorms. **Left:** percentage of freshmen temporarily housed in a dorm who requested to transfer out in the adjustment lottery.

percent asked to leave, compared to 36 percent last year.

Though East Campus did not build their iconic coaster this year, they did something right: only 16 percent of freshmen originally assigned there entered the adjustment lottery, compared to 40 percent last year. As in 2010, a large number of New House freshmen asked to leave — 51 percent (last year, it was 66 percent).

Requests out aren't the only indicator of dorm preference. Like in 2010, Baker and Burton-Conner were two of the three most popular re-

quested dorms in the adjustment lottery this year. But Simmons — which was just as popular as Burton-Conner last year — was not as popular this year (though it was still the third most-requested dorm in the adjustment lottery).

Notably, significantly fewer students entered the adjustment lottery this year. Since at least 2007, between approximately 200 and 250 freshmen entered the adjustment lottery each year. But this past week, only 137 freshmen asked to switch. Lower adjustment demand could stem from a greater proportion of freshmen who

live in Maseeh, which does not allow residents to enter the adjustment lottery. Forty percent of Maseeh residents — nearly 200 people — are freshmen. Additionally, Hurricane Irene's disruption of REX events may have contributed to the low adjustment demand.

And while the number of students who entered the adjustment lottery was low, the proportion who received a new assignment was much higher this year. Of 137 who requested a new housing assignment, 109 were reassigned (80 percent transfer rate) — only slightly fewer

than the number of reassignments in 2009 and 2010.

This year, 65 percent of freshmen got their first-choice pick in the summer housing lottery — a five-year high by a 1 percent margin.

Finally, keep in mind that no single change in MIT's housing system, be it the opening of a new dorm or a new dining system, can fully account for year-to-year preference changes. The statistics presented here are useful for gleaning general trends, but should not be relied upon to make rigorous conclusions about the impact of housing or dining changes.

# Resignations shake faith in Columbia Pres. Bollinger

Provost and undergraduate dean departures make faculty question leadership's commitment to diversity

By Alan Schwarz  
THE NEW YORK TIMES

NEW YORK — Several Columbia University professors said this week that the recent resignations of two high-ranking black administrators have shaken their confidence in the institution's president, Lee C. Bollinger, and reignited concerns among their colleagues about other aspects of his leadership.

Fredrick C. Harris, a professor of political science and director of Columbia's Institute for Research in African-American Studies, said in an interview that the resignation of the university's provost, Claude M. Steele, in June, followed by the more acrimonious departure last week of the undergraduate dean, Michele M. Moody-Adams, were significant not just because the officials were the first African-Americans to hold those key positions, but because their authority appeared to wither during their tenures.

Harris said that he wrote to Bollinger this week to explain how the departures "have shaken my confidence — as well as the confidence of many others at Columbia — in the ability of Columbia to maintain diverse leadership at the top."

Another African-American professor, June Cross of the journalism school, said in an interview on Wednesday, "I'm not saying race is the issue, but it is the subtext."

She added, "Michele Moody-Adams was advertised as, 'Here's our commitment to diversity.' If you're not going to stand behind what you say you hired her to do, what does that say about your commitment?"

Such criticisms are unusual for Bollinger, who built a national reputation defending affirmative action cases at the University of Michigan, and has brought more minority students and faculty members to Columbia's campus in Morningside Heights. In an interview Thursday, he acknowledged the criticism but said it was off-base.

"While some may perceive an issue of diversity involved here in both resignations, I'm confident that that's not either the explana-

tion, nor is it in any way a reflection of the institution's commitment to diversity," Bollinger said. "It's certainly not mine, in any event."

Moody-Adams, who is remaining at Columbia as a tenured professor in the philosophy department, declined to discuss her resignation or her colleagues' response to it. Steele, now the dean of Stanford University's School of Education, said that the questions about racial implications were a "rational reaction," but, at least in his particular case, misplaced.

"If I were in the shoes of the fac-

ulty member I would have the same concern," Steele said. "You have to take events like this seriously. But this had nothing to do with my identity or the provost's office; it had to do with this opportunity at Stanford at this time of my life. I have the strongest feelings for Columbia."

Bollinger has met and even courted his share of controversy since arriving at Columbia in 2002, particularly with his defense of a speaking invitation to President Mahmoud Ahmadinejad of Iran, who has called the Holocaust a myth, and his handling of allega-

tions that Jewish students were being harassed by pro-Palestinian faculty members.

Interviews with more than a dozen Columbia faculty members over the past week indicated that, any racial concerns aside, the resignations had come at a time of growing dissatisfaction with some of Bollinger's policies — particularly those regarding employment benefits and the undergraduate college's role in the larger research university.

A frank email Moody-Adams sent to trustees and alumni claimed that her voice had not been "taken

seriously" regarding policies that would "ultimately compromise the colleges academic quality and financial health."

Moody-Adams did not mention race in the email, focusing instead on what she and others have perceived as the undergraduate college's shrinking role within the ever-sprawling research university. That discussion has been going on at Columbia for many years, as have faculty complaints about pensions and other benefits, which were the focus of a heated meeting with Bollinger in April.

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Online registration aims to eliminate paper from the registration process while accomplishing the same goals with increased efficiency. Students and advisors are still expected to meet

face-to-face to discuss subject selection; online registration facilitates the paperwork but not at the intended expense of cutting down in-person student-advisor interaction.

Students pursuing a double major with at least one major or program within the pilot courses are eligible to register online with that department. But if a student's home department is not part of the pilot, they might have to submit a paper registration with that department (and should check with their home department to find out). All other students must register with the traditional paper process with their advisors.

Additionally, online registration will be accessible from

iPhones, Androids, and BlackBerry smartphones, displaying pages formatted specifically for the device. Academic advisors and registration officers will be able to view and approve their advisees' registration forms, and students will have the option of reviewing subject selections and completing registration. Currently, the mobile version does not allow modification of subject selections.

Following this pilot, the Registrar's Office and Information Services & Technology (IS&T) will determine the next steps necessary to further implement the online registration system. If all goes well, all students will eventually be on the new system.

—Anne Cai

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**Pi Beta Phi will be moving in to the MIT-owned property at 405 Memorial Dr. next year.** The house was formerly occupied by the Alpha Tau Omega fraternity, and has since undergone big renovations.

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**Solution to Crossword**

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# Pi Phi to move in by 2012

*Building needs permits, fixing*

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Bon Appetit — the dormitory dining vendor — will deliver food. Further details about this plan are not currently available.

The leasing agreement will also include expectations for living standards set by MIT. The details of the lease will follow closely to what was included in the lease given to Kappa Alpha Theta when they moved into Green Hall. Sisters living in the new house will pay their housing expenses directly to the MIT Housing Office, which still has ownership of the property.

According to Marlena Martinez Love, assistant dean and director of fraternities, sororities, and independent living groups (FSILGs), Pi Phi was the only living group that applied to occupy 405 Memorial Drive. Pi Phi’s application was reviewed by a committee made up of Love, Association of Independent Living Groups Representative Robert V. Ferrara (also a senior administrator in the Division of Student Life), Director of Housing Dennis Collins, and Sanjay Divakaran, a representative from Kappa Sigma’s Alumni House Corporation. In a press release posted on the Division of Student Life website, Love said that “[Pi Phi] will make excellent neighbors to the dormitories and other FSILGS along Amherst Alley.”

Since coming to the campus in Fall 2008, Pi Phi has been looking for a house on campus. “We are all really excited about this,” said Kathleen R. Geyer ’12, president of Pi Beta Phi. Geyer said that after hearing the good news, the sorority went out for dinner to celebrate.

While the sorority won’t be able to move into the house until next year, the MIT Housing office will offer tours of the new house to the sisters sometime during the semester. According to Geyer, the property will house about 50 sisters, or about half of the sorority.

The property has been under the management of the Department of Residential Life and Dining since ATO left. Management of the property will transfer to Pi Phi and their national sorority next fall. According to Geyer, Pi Phi’s national organization will share responsibility with the MIT chapter to establish house policies, zoning, and housing insurance.

**Solution to Techdoku**  
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**Solution to Sudoku**  
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# REXing the frosh

Advice from a Senior Haus REX chair

By Deena Wang  
ASSOCIATE CAMPUS LIFE EDITOR

Hey, frosh! I hope you enjoyed this year’s REX, because you’re going to have to run it next time. And you don’t want to start planning from scratch when you’re running an event for hundreds of people and the reputation of your dorm rests on your shoulders. But fear not! From my experiences as one of the Senior Haus REX chairs, I’ve created a list of tips on how to ensure your REX is successful and less stressful.

**1. Ask the former REX chairs for advice.** They’ll tell you what events are popular, what events aren’t worth it, how much materials cost and where to get them, and a wealth of other information.

**2. Look at previous schedules for event ideas.** Some of our most amusing events, like “REAGAN BABIES RE-ENACT THE WAR ON DURGS,” came from REX’s past. In addition, some events like “Bouncy Ball Drop” are traditional and always attract many freshmen.

**3. Create events that attract the kinds of freshmen that fit in the dorm.** You don’t have to lure every freshman to your dorm, just the right ones.

**4. Take advantage of the early returns** — allowances for upperclassmen to return to their dorm before freshmen arrive on campus. At Senior Haus, the REX chairs as-

sibilities. This will more evenly distribute tasks and ensure that every volunteer has something to do.

**6. Run events that let the frosh talk to upperclassmen.** The purpose of REX is for freshmen to get to know the culture of the dorm that they will live in. REX events should be well attended by upperclassmen that are willing to talk about the pros and cons of their dorm. One frosh commented that although he was temporarily housed at East Campus and went to one of their parties, he connected better with Senior Haus residents.

**7. Food = Frosh.** Freshmen are to food events like fruit flies are to rotting fruit. There’s no better way to lure hordes of freshmen than the promise of bacon. Plus, food events will also attract upperclassmen to mingle with freshmen.

**8. Don’t schedule important events early in REX or before all freshmen are on campus.** Some freshmen are in FPDPs that extend into the REX period. In addition, it’s rather awkward when the ratio of upperclassmen to freshmen is ten-to-one, where everyone either stares at the frosh or carries on their own conversations while the frosh just watch.

**9. Don’t write REX descriptions with in-jokes in them.** Descriptions of events should be attractive to people who are not steeped in that dorm’s culture, because

piñatas for an event that lasts 15 minutes and is only attended by three freshmen. The amount of time you spend preparing for an event should be proportional to the number of freshmen attending the event and the length of the event.

**11. Communicate with the REX volunteers.** The volunteers should know what their responsibilities are, when and where

constipation.”

**15. Run instructional events that contain information freshmen might not receive otherwise.** For example, Senior Haus has an “Alternative Sex Seminar” that covers how to have sex at MIT (“You’ve heard the ‘how not,’ now learn the ‘how to,’” reads the event listing in the REX guide). Before school starts is a good time to learn about

**Before school starts is a good time to learn about such things so that you’re not stuck trying to cut someone from a bedpost before their midterm exams.**

the events are held, whether they need to buy anything, etc.

**12. Assign the most charismatic people to tours.** I know my interest was piqued by the great tour given by Paula M. Countouris ’12 — the current Haus president— during my CPW. The tour guides should be well versed in the history and culture of the dorm.

**13. Be prepared to reschedule in case of inclement weather.** Because of the Great Anticlimactic Hurricane of 2011, all the freshmen were encouraged to stay in their dorms, so we had to cancel our trip to the Garment District. To entertain the frosh and cooped-up upperclassmen, we moved our mask-making event earlier, and people brought out board games. In the end, it was beneficial to have freshmen stay in the dorm and interact with Senior Haus residents.

**14. Invite alumni.** Nothing shows off the greatness of dorm culture so much as having alumni dedicated enough to come back and tell stories of the past. They can also pass on valuable advice to freshmen and tell amusing stories from the good ol’ days, like “don’t eat only mac ‘n’ cheese for a month or you will have to go to the hospital for

such things so that you’re not stuck trying to cut someone from a bedpost before their midterm exams.

**16. Don’t present events in a way that could cause them to be misconstrued as hazing.**

**17. Sport REX!** This year’s frosh are next year’s REX planners. REX lets freshmen learn about who they will be living with so that they have the opportunity to move if they don’t like where they are temporarily

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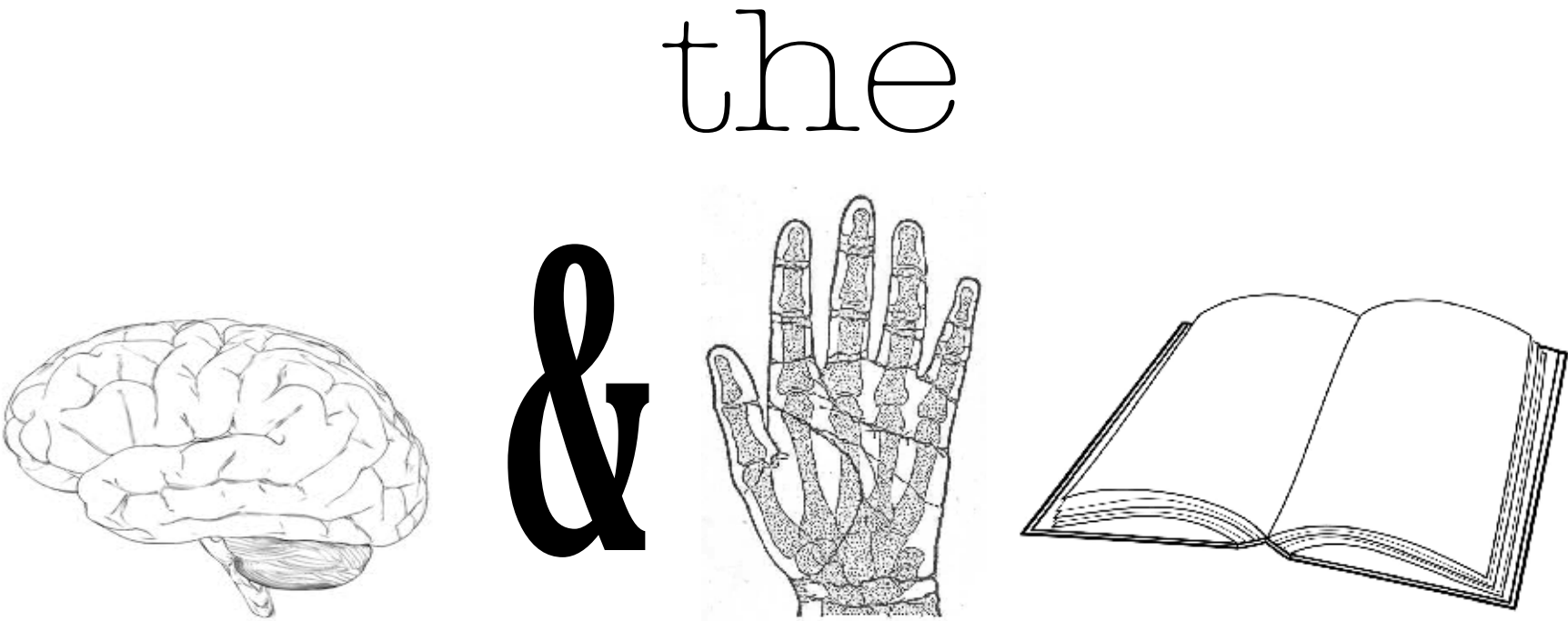
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sign early returns to select upperclassmen so we have a ready supply of volunteers for events.

**5. Get your dictator on.** Instead of having people sign up for events, ask people for their preferences and then assign respon-

freshmen aren’t. It’s okay to be enigmatic, but not insular.

**10. Don’t run an event if (time spent preparing event) / [(length of event) \* (number of freshman at event)] is greater than one.** Aka, don’t make papier-mâché



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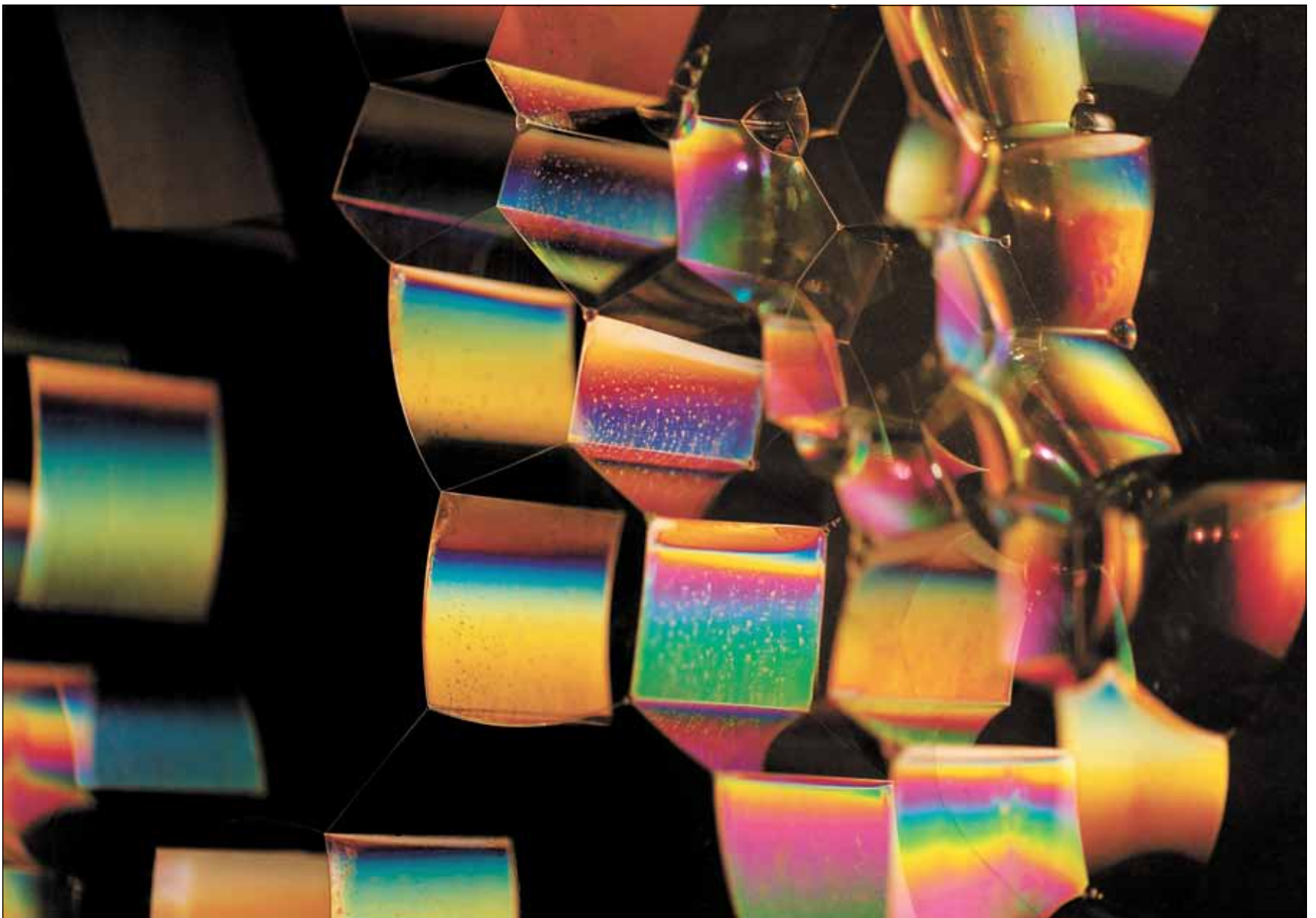
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## Institute Double Take



**By Manohar Srikanth**  
*STAFF PHOTOGRAPHER*

Artist James Ossi (<http://www.jamesossi.com/>) has his art work, "Soap bubble machine sculpture" installed in Building 6. The machine pumps air into a soap chamber, producing bubbles between two large glass panes. Care-

fully placed bulbs reflect light off the surface of the soap bubbles, creating vivid, mesmerizing colors. This picture was taken with a macro lens oriented towards the glass plane such that the stray reflection from the glass plane itself is minimal, which would spoil the shot. The photographer also covered the gap between

the lens and the glass plane with a dark cloth to reduce unwanted reflections. This trick comes in handy when a photo needs to be taken through a glass plane, such as from an aircraft window. Additionally, keeping the aperture large and getting close to the glass pane diminishes the visibility of any dirt on the pane.

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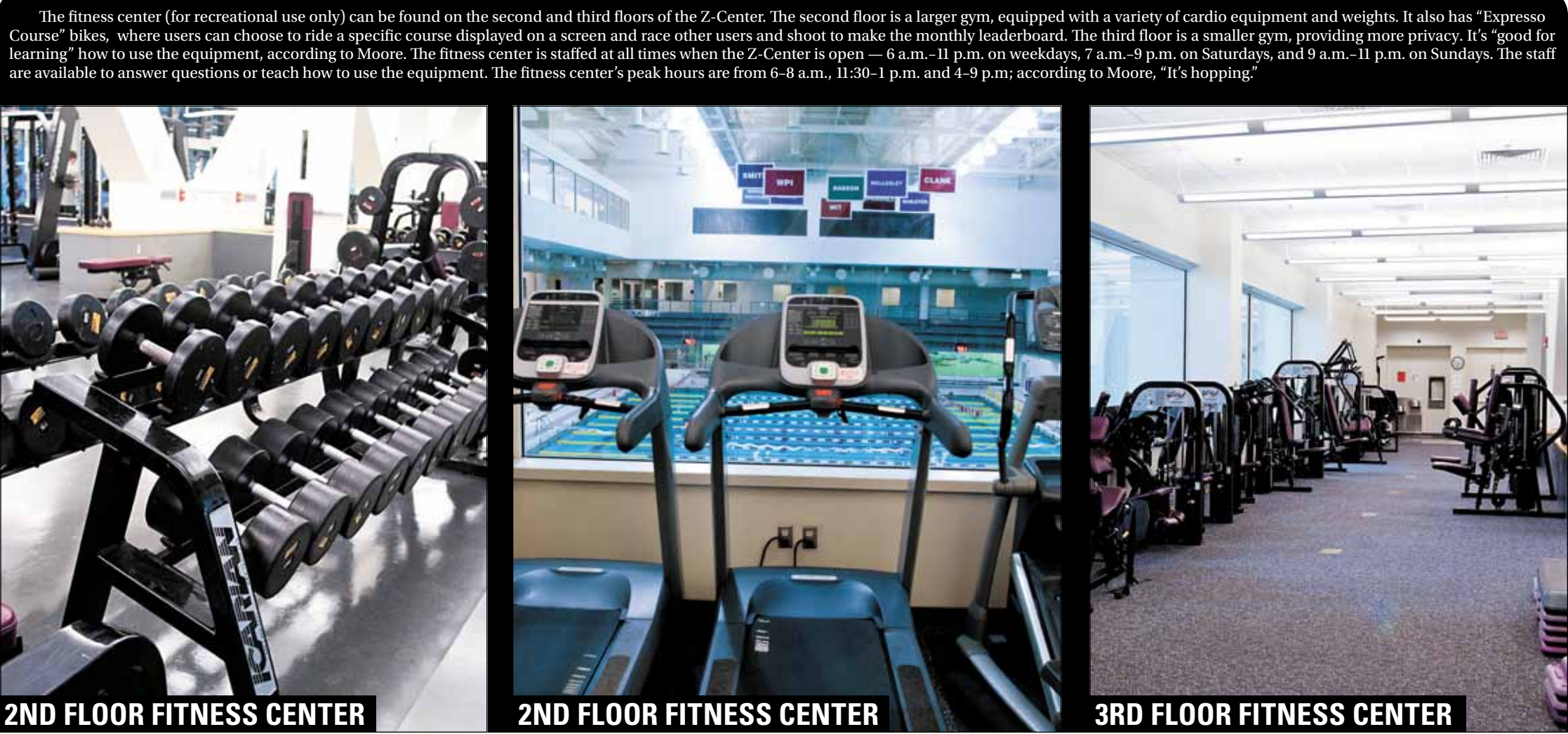


# Exploring the

By Joanna Kao  
CAMPUS LIFE EDITOR

MIT's Zesiger Center is the center of varsity, club, intramural, and recreational sports. Serving around 2200 users per day across the four-building sports complex, the Z-Center is home to a competition-sized pool, fitness center, indoor track, and space that can be configured for nearly any sport. The Z-Center was voted "Best Gym" by Boston.com's A-list in 2010 — even Mark Wahlberg has stopped by several times while shooting films in the area. Tim Moore, the director of recreational sports and fitness, gave *The Tech* a tour of Z-Center facilities.

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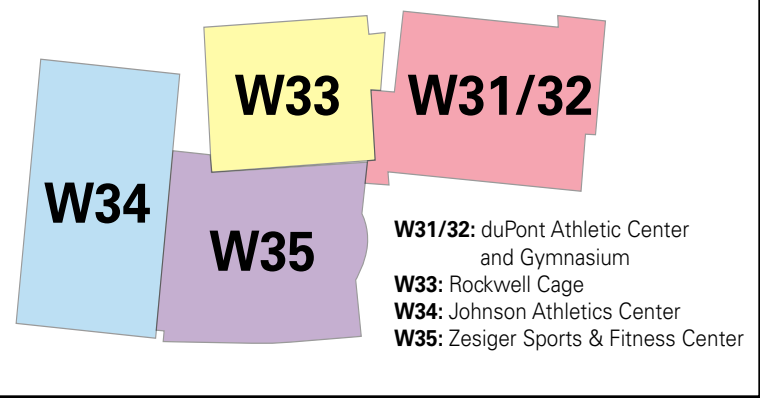
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The fitness center (for recreational use only) can be found on the second and third floors of the Z-Center. The second floor is a larger gym, equipped with a variety of cardio equipment and weights. It also has "Expresso Course" bikes, where users can choose to ride a specific course displayed on a screen and race other users and shoot to make the monthly leaderboard. The third floor is a smaller gym, providing more privacy. It's "good for learning" how to use the equipment, according to Moore. The fitness center is staffed at all times when the Z-Center is open — 6 a.m.–11 p.m. on weekdays, 7 a.m.–9 p.m. on Saturdays, and 9 a.m.–11 p.m. on Sundays. The staff are available to answer questions or teach how to use the equipment. The fitness center's peak hours are from 6–8 a.m., 11:30–1 p.m. and 4–9 p.m.; according to Moore, "It's hopping."

## SPORTS COMPLEX



International-sized squash courts can be reserved 24 hours in advance. American squash courts are located on the east side of duPont Athletic Center.

INTERNATIONAL SQUASH COURTS

'The whole thing is on average much better than what I was accustomed to. Just the fitness center — just the average. I come from Balogna which is pretty close to the place where Technogym is manufactured — they make products for gyms. We have pretty high standards. But anyways, if I say it is comparable to the average gym, it's pretty high standards.'

— Enrico Cantoni PhD



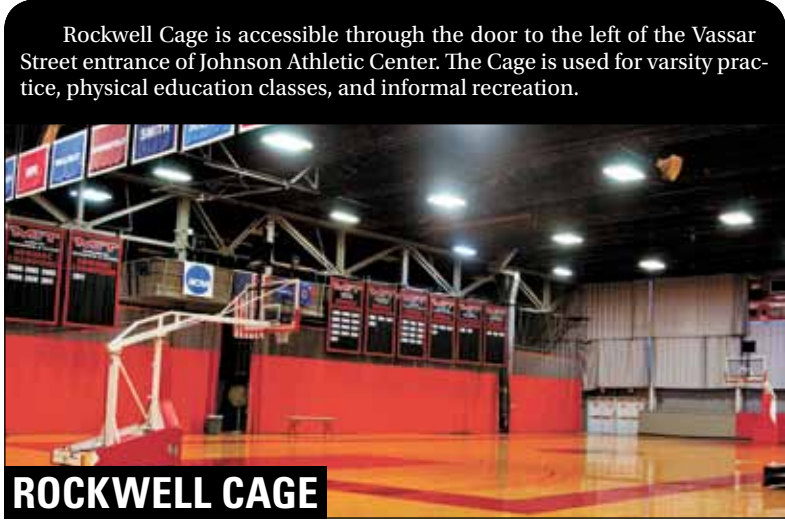
The Johnson Track, on the second floor of the Johnson Athletic Center, has a six-lane running track. The infield can be configured for different sports, such as tennis and cricket.

JOHNSON TRACK

## MASSAGE THERAPY



In the corner of the fitness center on the third floor is Massage Therapy. For rates and more information, visit <http://mitrecsports.com/massage-therapy/registration-procedures/default.aspx>



ROCKWELL CAGE

The golf driving range is located on the east side of duPont Athletic Center. Individual, buddy, and group classes are available. Lessons with video analysis are also available — high speed cameras capture golf swings, and software is used to analyze technique. For information about lessons and rates, go to <http://mitrecsports.com/golf/reservations/default.aspx>

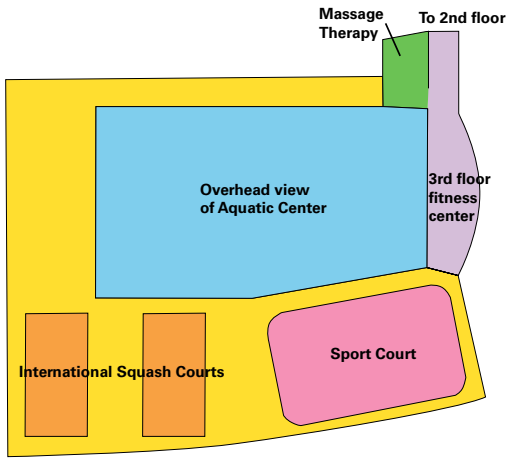


RUDOVSKY INDOOR GOLF RANGE

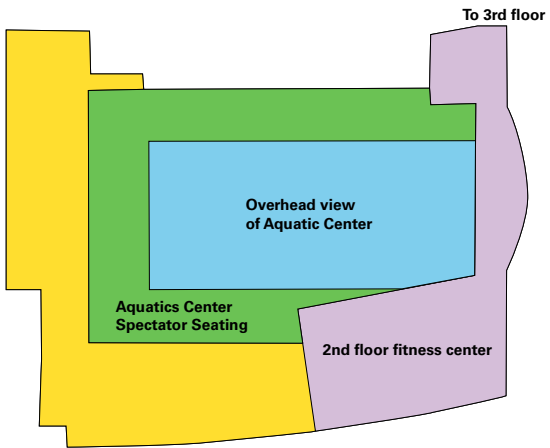
'It's a comfortable gym, there's a ton of equipment, and there's always enough so I can just jump on one.'

— Hannah L. Farrow '11

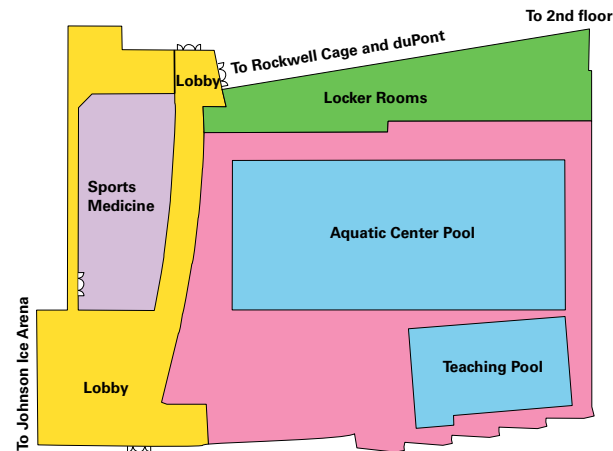
3RD FLOOR Z-CENTER



2ND FLOOR Z-CENTER



1ST FLOOR Z-CENTER



JOHNSON ATHLETIC CENTER LOBBY



AQUATIC CENTER

The Z-Center aquatic center contains a teaching pool and competition-sized pool that can be configured for long and short course swim meets as well as water polo matches. The northeast corner has 10-meter and 3-meter diving boards. Pool tools, such as kickboards, or pull buoys, are also available for use. The schedule for recreational swimming times is found on <http://mitrecsports.com/aquatics/schedule/default.aspx>

'It's conveniently close. I think [the fitness center] could use more treadmills — I'm a runner so that's partially why. They run out of them at busy times, and some of them break down and have problems.'

— Joshua A. Zeidman '14



# THE DAILY CONFUSION

## Fraternity, Sorority, and Independent Living Group Rush 2011

Welcome to the Daily Confusion for FSILG Rush 2011! Over half of men and a third of women go greek or join one of six Independent Living Groups — most cite their affiliation as a key part of their support group and experience at MIT.

Hundreds of events from fraternities, sororities, and independent living groups fill the following pages, marking the start of their rush and recruitment. Events for sororities and fraternities start on 14, and Independent Living Groups start on page 18. A map of MIT and all of the FSILG living groups are on page 20.

Guides distributed at tomorrow’s Greek Griller, the official kickoff of Rush, provide more detail on these events. Along with this Daily Confusion guide, we hope to give you enough information to plan your schedule over the next days. Explore as many different groups as possible, grab some free food, and have fun!

Joseph Maurer  
Chairman, *The Tech*

### Sorority Recruitment

All events start in Lobdell Dining Hall at the Student Center.

#### Saturday, September 3, 2011

13:15–19:15—Go Greek Day  
Wondering about sororities at MIT and the recruitment process? Learn why so many independent, talented undergraduate women have chosen to go Greek! Lunch will be served at an information session at 13:15. After this session, you’ll get the chance to learn more about each individual sorority by visiting their open events throughout the afternoon and evening.

#### Sunday, September 4, 2011

10:30–20:30—Philanthropy Day  
Today you’ll have the opportunity to tour our sorority facilities while learning about each sorority’s philanthropy and community service programs. Lunch and light refreshments will be served throughout the day.

### Fraternities

#### SATURDAY

September 3rd

12:00

12:00 PM - 1:00 PM — **Theta Chi**  
Killian Kickoff

12:00 PM - 11:59 PM — **Sigma Alpha Epsilon**  
Make your own potato launcher

12:00 PM — **Sigma Alpha Epsilon**  
Greek Griller/House Tours

12:00 PM — **Sigma Chi**  
Killian Kick Off

12:30 PM - 3:00 PM — **Delta Tau Delta**  
Delts Roofdeck BBQ & House Tours

12:30 PM - 3:00 PM — **Phi Delta Theta**  
KRESGE GRILLIN’

12:30 PM - 3:00 PM — **Sigma Phi Epsilon**  
SigEp House BBQ

12:30 PM - 3:00 PM — **Sigma Phi Epsilon**  
Sigma Phi Epsilon House Tours

12:30 PM - 3:00 PM — **Sigma Phi Epsilon**  
Dunk Tank

12:30 PM - 3:30 PM — **Phi Kappa Theta**  
Fear Factor Roof Deck BBQ

12:30 PM - 4:00 PM — **Pi Kappa Alpha**  
Athletics (soccer, football, Frisbee)

12:30 PM - 4:00 PM — **Pi Lambda Phi**  
Fat Sandwiches on the Roof

12:30 PM - 4:00 PM — **Theta Chi**  
Cajun Cookout

12:30 PM - 5:00 PM — **Chi Phi**  
Chi Phi Pig Roast & Open House

12:30 PM - 6:00 PM — **Delta Upsilon**  
BBQ/House Tours

12:30 PM — **Alpha Delta Phi**  
Grillin’ and Chillin’

12:30 PM — **Kappa Sigma**  
Kappa Sigma Open House

12:30 PM — **Phi Sigma Kappa**  
Steak Cookout/House Tours

12:30 PM — **Theta Delta Chi**  
TDCarnival

12:30 PM — **Theta Delta Chi**  
BBQ

12:30 PM — **Theta Xi**  
Awesome House Tours

12:35 PM — **Theta Delta Chi**  
House Tours

12:44 PM — **Tau Epsilon Phi**  
Science Smörgåsbord

13:00

1:00 PM - 3:00 PM — **Lambda Chi Alpha**  
Grilling and House Tours

1:00 PM - 5:00 PM — **Delta Kappa Epsilon**  
Grillin’ and Games

1:00 PM - 6:00 PM — **Nu Delta**  
Amped Up

1:00 PM - 6:00 PM — **Phi Kappa Sigma**  
Grilling with the Skulls

1:00 PM — **Alpha Delta Phi**  
Video Game Tournament

1:00 PM — **Alpha Epsilon Pi**  
Sail in Style on our Party Ferry

1:00 PM — **Alpha Epsilon Pi**  
Chill in the Hot Tub with Miracle Fruit

1:00 PM — **Alpha Epsilon Pi**  
Ultimate Frisbee/Capture the Flag on the Esplanade

1:00 PM — **Sigma Alpha Epsilon**  
Grill at House

1:00 PM — **Sigma Chi**  
Open House/BBQ

1:00 PM — **Sigma Nu**  
iPad 2 – Pool Tournament

1:00 PM — **Theta Xi**  
Pig Roast

1:30 PM - 4:00 PM — **Delta Tau Delta**  
Ride Delts’ Mechanical Bull

1:30 PM — **Zeta Beta Tau**  
BBQ and Sports with Zebes on

Kresge

14:00

2:00 PM - 5:00 PM — **Zeta Psi**  
Streets of Cambridge (Pre-Car Bash Vandalism)

2:00 PM — **Theta Delta Chi**  
Pick-Up Football

2:22 PM — **Tau Epsilon Phi**  
Spice Cream

2:30 PM — **Kappa Sigma**  
The Cannoli Taste-Off: Mike’s vs. Modern Pastries

15:00

3:00 PM - 4:00 PM — **Sigma Phi Epsilon**  
Build your own Sundaes

3:00 PM — **Delta Tau Delta**  
Breaking stuff with Delts

3:22 PM — **Tau Epsilon Phi**  
Catnip ->Nepatalactone -> cat

3:30 PM - 6:30 PM — **Phi Kappa Theta**  
Smoothies, Wings, and Games

16:00

4:00 PM - 6:00 PM — **Sigma Phi Epsilon**  
Nerf War

4:00 PM — **Theta Xi**  
Rock Band Marathon

4:22 PM — **Tau Epsilon Phi**  
Huge Fingerpainting

4:30 PM — **Alpha Epsilon Pi**  
Learn MMA with Professional UFC Fighter John “Doomsday” Howard

17:00

5:00 PM - 7:00 PM — **Delta Kappa Epsilon**  
House Tours

5:00 PM — **Kappa Sigma**  
Tournament Dodgeball

5:00 PM — **Phi Sigma Kappa**  
Pig Roast



5:00 PM — **Sigma Nu**  
Steak Barbeque

5:22 PM — **Tau Epsilon Phi**  
Inflate Everything

18:00

6:00 PM - 7:00 PM — **Phi Delta Theta**  
FINGER FOOD FEAST

6:00 PM - 8:00 PM — **Nu Delta**  
Southern Style Chicken

6:00 PM - 8:00 PM — **Sigma Phi Epsilon**  
Fast Food Pyramid (In memoriam Adam J. Hartz)

6:00 PM - 10:00 PM — **Phi Kappa Sigma**  
Bonfire

6:00 PM — **Alpha Delta Phi**  
Steak and Lobster

6:00 PM — **Delta Tau Delta**  
Delts Thanksgiving Dinner

6:00 PM — **Sigma Chi**  
Fifth Annual Exotic Meats BBQ

6:00 PM — **Theta Delta Chi**  
New England Steak & Clam Chowdah – Compliments of our Chef

6:00 PM — **Theta Xi**  
Frialator Dinner

6:00 PM — **Zeta Beta Tau**  
Lobsterfest & Chicken Grill

6:22 PM — **Tau Epsilon Phi**  
Crazy Dough's!

6:00 PM - 8:00 PM — **Chi Phi**  
Chicken Parm Dinner at Chi Phi

6:30 PM - 8:00 PM — **Zeta Psi**  
Slow Cooked Rib Dinner

6:30 PM - 8:30 PM — **Phi Kappa Theta**  
Lobster and Clam Chowder

6:30 PM — **Alpha Epsilon Pi**  
Feast Like a Beast

19:00

7:00 PM - 8:30 PM — **Theta Chi**  
Pizza and Wings

7:00 PM - 9:00 PM — **Pi Lambda Phi**  
Steak and Lobster Dinner

7:00 PM - 10:00 PM — **Pi Kappa Alpha**  
Videogames in MacGregor G entry

7:00 PM - 10:00 PM — **Phi Delta Theta**  
POKER TOURNAMENT

7:00 PM — **Kappa Sigma**  
Chef John's Roaring Roast Dinner

7:00 PM — **Sigma Nu**  
Ballroom Hockey

7:22 PM — **Tau Epsilon Phi**  
Worst. Video. Game. Ever.

7:30 PM - 8:30 PM — **Delta Upsilon**  
Dinner

7:30 PM — **Alpha Delta Phi**  
Improv Comedy Show

7:30 PM — **Theta Delta Chi**  
Flavor Tripping w/ Miracle Berries

20:00

8:00 PM - 12:00 AM — **Zeta Psi**  
26th Annual Car Bash

8:00 PM - 10:00 PM — **Nu Delta**  
Stand-up Comedy Night

8:00 PM - 11:00 PM — **Lambda Chi Alpha**  
Laser Tag

8:00 PM — **Alpha Epsilon Pi**  
Liquid Nitrogen Ice Cream!

8:00 PM — **Theta Xi**  
Casino Royale

8:00 PM — **Zeta Beta Tau**  
Casino Night

8:22 PM — **Tau Epsilon Phi**  
Carbonated Fruit

8:30 PM - 9:30 PM — **Phi Kappa Theta**  
Miracle Berry Flavor Trip

8:30 PM - 10:00 PM — **Phi Delta Theta**  
DESSERT-FEST

8:30 PM — **Alpha Epsilon Pi**  
Indoor Laser Tag at the AEPi Arena

21:00

9:00 PM - 1:00 AM — **Pi Lambda Phi**  
Game and Movie Night

9:00 PM - 11:00 PM — **Sigma Phi Epsilon**  
Pre-Party with SigEp

9:00 PM — **Sigma Nu**  
Carvalho's Bad Movie Night

9:22 PM — **Tau Epsilon Phi**  
Ooblek

9:30 PM - 1:30 AM — **Phi Kappa Theta**  
PKT Presents: Midnight Beach Rave

9:30 PM - 2:00 AM — **Chi Phi**  
White Out Party

22:00

10:00 PM - 1:00 AM — **Delta Kappa Epsilon**  
Beach Party (Rooftop if weather permits)

10:00 PM - 1:00 AM — **Zeta Psi**  
House Tours & Ice Cream

10:00 PM - 2:00 AM — **Phi Kappa Sigma**  
Vesuvius Party

10:00 PM - 2:00 AM — **Theta Chi**  
Blacklight Party

10:00 PM — **Kappa Sigma**  
The 407

10:00 PM — **Phi Sigma Kappa**  
Roofdeck Party

10:00 PM — **Sigma Chi**  
Sigma Chi-Lighter Party

10:22 PM — **Tau Epsilon Phi**  
Miracle Fruit

10:30 PM - 2:00 AM — **Delta Upsilon**  
DU: PARTY ROCK

10:30 PM — **Theta Delta Chi**  
Movie Night

23:00

11:22 PM — **Tau Epsilon Phi**  
Layzor Light Show

11:59 PM — **Alpha Delta Phi**  
Underground Capture the Flag

11:59 PM — **Theta Xi**  
Midnight Smoothies

SUNDAY

September 4th

00:00

12:00 AM - 11:59 PM — **Sigma Alpha Epsilon**  
Make your own potato launcher

01:00

1:00 AM - 3:00 AM — **Phi Kappa Sigma**  
Steak and Shake

1:00 AM - 3:00 AM — **Sigma Phi Epsilon**  
After-Party 4th Meal

1:00 AM — **Kappa Sigma**  
Midnight Buffet: The Original @ Kappa Sigma

1:30 AM - 2:00 AM — **Phi Kappa Theta**  
Afterparty on the Roof

08:00

8:30 AM — **Alpha Delta Phi**  
Breakfast

09:00

9:00 AM - 2:00 PM — **Nu Delta**  
Paintball

9:00 AM - 2:00 PM — **Sigma Phi Epsilon**  
Paintball

9:00 AM — **Alpha Epsilon Pi**  
Fresh, Hot Breakfast Banquet: Pancakes, Omelettes, French Toast

9:00 AM — **Zeta Beta Tau**  
ZBT Breakfast of Champions

9:30 AM - 10:30 AM — **Chi Phi**  
All You Can Eat Breakfast at Chi Phi

9:30 AM - 5:00 PM — **Delta Upsilon**  
Day at the Beach

10:00

10:00 AM - 12:00 PM — **Phi Kappa Sigma**  
Sunday Brunch

10:00 AM - 12:00 PM — **Theta Chi**  
Breakfast of Champions

10:00 AM - 1:00 PM — **Phi Kappa Theta**  
Brunch on Kresge Oval

10:00 AM - 3:00 PM — **Pi Lambda Phi**  
Paintball

10:00 AM — **Phi Sigma Kappa**  
Fraternal House of Pancakes

10:00 AM — **Sigma Chi**  
Beach Trip

10:00 AM — **Theta Delta Chi**  
P&L Paintball

10:00 AM — **Zeta Beta Tau**  
Build your own Potato Gun

10:30 AM - 4:00 PM — **Chi Phi**  
Paintball with Chi Phi

10:30 AM — **Phi Sigma Kappa**  
Paintball

11:00

11:00 AM - 12:00 PM — **Phi Delta Theta**  
BRUNCH

11:00 AM — **Alpha Delta Phi**  
Airsoft

11:00 AM — **Alpha Epsilon Pi**  
The Adrenaline Junky Combo: Trampoline Dodgeball & Indoor Skydiving

11:00 AM — **Delta Tau Delta**  
Jet Skiing and Beach Trip

11:00 AM — **Sigma Nu**  
Canobe Lake- Six Flags, Zero Lines

11:00 AM — **Theta Xi**  
Dim Sum

11:30 AM — **Kappa Sigma**  
Lazy Morning Brunch

12:00

12:00 PM - 3:00 PM — **Pi Kappa Alpha**  
Eating Competition — BC Porter Room

12:00 PM - 4:00 PM — **Sigma Phi Epsilon**  
Chilling at the House

12:00 PM - 5:00 PM — **Phi Delta Theta**  
BEACH AND CLIFF-JUMPING

12:00 PM - 5:00 PM — **Phi Kappa Sigma**  
Paintball

12:00 PM — **Alpha Delta Phi**  
Southern Style BBQ

12:30 PM - 5:00 PM — **Theta Chi**  
Paintball

12:30 PM — **Theta Delta Chi**  
BBQ

13:00

1:00 PM - 4:00 PM — **Delta Kappa Epsilon**  
Boston Paintball

1:00 PM - 5:00 PM — **Lambda Chi Alpha**  
Red Sox Game

1:00 PM - 6:00 PM — **Phi Kappa Theta**  
Paintball

1:00 AM — **Kappa Sigma**  
Outdoor Paintball Competition

1:00 PM — **Phi Sigma Kappa**  
Rock Climbing

1:00 PM — **Sigma Alpha Epsilon**  
F1 Racing

1:00 PM — **Theta Delta Chi**  
House Tours

1:00 PM — **Zeta Beta Tau**  
Canoeing on the Charles River

1:00 PM — **Zeta Psi**  
Laser Tag

14:00

2:00 PM — **Theta Xi**  
Laser Tag

2:00 PM — **Theta Delta Chi**  
Sailing on the Charles

2:22 PM — **Tau Epsilon Phi**  
Waffles and LN2

15:00

3:22 PM — **Tau Epsilon Phi**  
Hair dying and tie dying

16:00

4:00 PM - 7:00 PM — **Chi Phi**  
Burgers with Bros

4:00 PM - 7:00 PM — **Sigma Phi Epsilon**  
Ultimate Frisbee at the Boston Commons

4:00 PM - 8:00 PM — **Nu Delta**  
F1 Racing

4:22 PM — **Tau Epsilon Phi**  
Pirate battle with Pika

4:30 PM — **Sigma Nu**  
Nerf Wars

17:00

5:00 PM - 10:00 PM — **Pi Kappa Alpha**  
Marathon gaming in MacGregor G entry

5:00 PM — **Phi Sigma Kappa**  
BBQ

5:00 PM — **Sigma Alpha Epsilon**

Grill at House

5:00 PM — **Theta Delta Chi**  
DJ Lessons

5:22 PM — **Tau Epsilon Phi**  
Mesmerized by Dexterity

18:00

6:00 PM - 7:30 PM — **Phi Kappa Theta**  
Chicken and Waffles

6:00 PM - 8:00 PM — **Phi Delta Theta**  
ASIAN FOOD FEAST AT PHI DELTS

6:00 PM - 8:00 PM — **Phi Kappa Sigma**  
Gerry's World Famous Fried Chicken

6:00 PM - 8:00 PM — **Sigma Phi Epsilon**  
Refreshing Smoothies

6:00 PM - 8:00 PM — **Sigma Phi Epsilon**  
Rocking out with SigEp

6:00 PM — **Alpha Delta Phi**  
Chef Bobby Mac's Famous London Broil

6:00 PM — **Alpha Epsilon Pi**  
Gourmet Steak Dinner with Our Chef

6:00 PM — **Kappa Sigma**  
Asian Fusion Dinner @ Kappa Sigma

6:00 PM — **Phi Sigma Kappa**  
Mike's Pastry

6:00 PM — **Sigma Chi**  
Dinner in Boston

6:00 PM — **Theta Delta Chi**  
Italian Dinner Night – Compliments of our Chef

6:00 PM — **Theta Xi**  
Texas Barbecue

6:00 PM — **Zeta Beta Tau**  
Dinner: Italian Buffet

6:22 PM — **Tau Epsilon Phi**  
Ultimate Karate on the Mall

6:30 PM — **Alpha Delta Phi**  
Indoor Skydiving

19:00

7:00 PM - 9:00 PM — **Theta Chi**  
Steak and Lobster

7:00 PM - 11:00 PM — **Zeta Psi**  
Luau & Pig Roast

7:00 PM — **Kappa Sigma**  
F1 Racing

7:00 PM — **Phi Sigma Kappa**  
Comedy Club

7:00 PM — **Sigma Nu**  
Party Rock in Boston – Comedy Club

7:22 PM — **Tau Epsilon Phi**  
Italian Feast

7:30 PM - 8:30 PM — **Delta Upsilon**  
Dinner

7:30 PM - 9:00 PM — **Delta Kappa Epsilon**  
Steak Dinner

7:30 PM - 10:30 PM — **Phi Kappa Theta**  
PKT Poker Tournament

7:30 PM — **Alpha Delta Phi**  
Candlepin Bowling

7:30 PM — **Zeta Beta Tau**  
Pool at Big City

20:00

8:00 PM - 12:00 AM — **Chi Phi**  
Chi Phi Rodeo

8:00 PM - 12:00 AM — **Phi Kappa Sigma**  
Game Night



8:00 PM - 12:00 AM — **Sigma Phi Epsilon**  
Pizza, Poker, Pool: The Triple P's

8:00 PM - 12:00 PM — **Pi Lambda Phi**  
Boat Cruise

8:00 PM — **Alpha Epsilon Pi**  
Casino Night (Win an iPad!)

8:00 PM — **Theta Delta Chi**  
Dance Lessons – Salsa & Hip-Hip

8:22 PM — **Tau Epsilon Phi**  
Cannoli Hunting

## 21:00

9:00 PM - 10:00 PM — **Phi Delta Theta**  
JUNGLE PARTY SHIRT MAKING

9:00 PM — **Theta Xi**  
B.A.S.H

9:22 PM — **Tau Epsilon Phi**  
USBDIY

9:59 PM — **Theta Delta Chi**  
TDC's Annual Foam Party

## 22:00

10:00 PM - 2:00 AM — **Delta Upsilon**  
Jelly Wrestling

10:00 PM - 2:00 AM — **Lambda Chi Alpha**  
Jello Wrestling Party

10:00 PM - 2:00 AM — **Nu Delta**  
Party Bus!

10:00 PM - 2:00 AM — **Phi Delta Theta**  
JUNGLE PARTY

10:00 PM — **Alpha Delta Phi**  
Infinite Crepes

10:00 PM — **Delta Tau Delta**  
ATA Beach Party

10:00 PM — **Zeta Beta Tau**  
ZBT Deep Fry

10:30 PM - 2:00 AM — **Phi Kappa Theta**  
Party Hopping and Chinatown Run

## 23:00

11:22 PM — **Tau Epsilon Phi**  
USB-light show

11:30 PM — **Kappa Sigma**  
Midnight Buffet: Carnival Favorites @ Kappa Sigma

11:59 PM — **Sigma Chi**  
Midnight IHOP run

11:59 PM — **Theta Xi**  
Infinite Desserts

# MONDAY

September 5th

## 00:00

12:00 AM - 1:00 AM — **Sigma Phi Epsilon**  
The Vermonster Challenge

12:00 AM - 1:00 AM — **Theta Chi**  
Midnight Snack

12:00 AM - 2:00 AM — **Phi Kappa Sigma**  
Steak and Shake

## 01:00

1:00 AM - 3:00 AM — **Nu Delta**  
Breakfast b4 Dawn

## 08:00

8:00 AM - 9:00 AM — **Nu Delta**  
Breakfast

8:30 AM — **Alpha Delta Phi**  
Breakfast

## 09:00

9:00 AM - 11:00 AM — **Phi Kappa Theta**  
Soul Food Breakfast at the House

9:00 AM - 1:00 PM — **Nu Delta**  
Firing Range

9:00 AM - 3:00 PM — **Phi Kappa Sigma**  
Skyzone Trampoline Dodgeball

9:00 AM - 4:00 PM — **Lambda Chi Alpha**  
Paintball

9:00 AM — **Alpha Epsilon Pi**  
Bagels, Cream Cheese, and Lox Breakfast

9:00 AM — **Zeta Beta Tau**  
ZBT Breakfast of Champions

9:30 AM - 11:00 AM — **Chi Phi**  
Chi Phi House of Pancakes

9:30 AM — **Alpha Delta Phi**  
Six Flags New England

## 10:00

10:00 AM - 12:00 PM — **Phi Kappa Sigma**  
Brunch

10:00 AM - 3:00 PM — **Sigma Phi Epsilon**  
Jet Skiing at Cape Cod

10:00 AM - 4:00 PM — **Delta Upsilon**  
Canoeing

10:00 AM - 4:00 PM — **Theta Chi**  
Six Flags New England

10:00 AM — **Phi Sigma Kappa**  
Fraternal House of Pancakes

10:00 AM — **Theta Delta Chi**  
Beach Trip

10:00 AM — **Zeta Beta Tau**  
Pickup Sports at Devotion

10:00 AM — **Zeta Psi**  
Six Flags

10:30 AM — **Kappa Sigma**  
Brunch the Kappa Sigma Way

10:30 AM — **Phi Sigma Kappa**  
Jetskiing, Surfing, and Spearfishing in Newport

## 11:00

11:00 AM - 12:00 PM — **Phi Delta Theta**  
BRUNCH

11:00 AM - 12:00 PM — **Pi Lambda Phi**  
Lunch

11:00 AM - 5:00 PM — **Chi Phi**  
Jet-Skiing on the Cape

11:00 AM — **Alpha Epsilon Pi**  
Whirlyball: Basketball in Bumpercars

11:00 AM — **Delta Tau Delta**  
Lobster Trip (INVITE ONLY)

11:00 AM — **Kappa Sigma**  
Ultimate Windsurfing at Cape Cod

11:00 AM — **Sigma Chi**  
Rock Climbing

11:00 AM — **Sigma Nu**  
Paint-Ballin'

11:00 AM — **Theta Xi**  
Bacon Bonanza

## 12:00

12:00 PM - 2:00 PM — **Phi Kappa Theta**  
Brazilian Steakhouse Lunch

12:00 PM - 2:00 PM — **Pi Kappa Alpha**  
Lunch - MacGregor BBQ Pits

12:00 PM - 3:00 PM — **Sigma Phi Epsilon**  
Strikeout Bowling at Jillian's

12:00 PM - 4:00 PM — **Pi Lambda Phi**  
Batting Cages and Mini-Golf

12:00 PM - 5:00 PM — **Phi Delta Theta**  
PAINTBALL

12:00 PM — **Alpha Delta Phi**  
Lunch

12:00 PM — **Theta Xi**  
Ultimate Frisbee

12:00 PM — **Zeta Beta Tau**  
Lunch

12:30 PM — **Theta Delta Chi**  
BBQ

## 13:00

1:00 PM - 5:00 PM — **Sigma Phi Epsilon**  
South Park Marathon

1:00 PM — **Alpha Delta Phi**  
Pirate Battle on the Charles

1:00 PM — **Phi Sigma Kappa**  
Trampoline Dodgeball

1:00 PM — **Theta Delta Chi**  
House Tours

1:00 PM — **Zeta Beta Tau**  
Paintball

## 14:00

2:00 PM - 4:00 PM — **Nu Delta**  
Rock Climbing

2:00 PM — **Sigma Alpha Epsilon**  
Rock Climbing

2:22 PM — **Tau Epsilon Phi**  
Dim sum

2:30 PM - 4:30 PM — **Phi Kappa Theta**  
Trampoline Dodgeball at SkyZone

## 15:00

3:00 PM — **Theta Delta Chi**  
Trip to the MIT Museum of Science

3:00 PM — **Theta Xi**  
Dumpling Eating Contest

3:22 PM — **Tau Epsilon Phi**  
LN2, Dry Ice, Helium

## 16:00

4:22 PM — **Tau Epsilon Phi**  
Dramatic Proof Reading

## 17:00

5:00 PM - 9:00 PM — **Sigma Phi Epsilon**  
Mini Golf and Ice Cream

5:00 PM — **Sigma Alpha Epsilon**  
Epic Meal Time / Can You Fry It?

5:00 PM — **Sigma Nu**  
2,015 Nugget Feast

5:22 PM — **Tau Epsilon Phi**  
Fun with Rocks

## 18:00

6:00 PM - 12:00 AM — **Phi Kappa Sigma**  
Boston Harbor Cruise

6:00 PM - 12:00 AM — **Sigma Phi Epsilon**  
SigEp On Demand (Movie Marathon)

6:00 PM - 8:00 PM — **Phi Kappa Theta**  
Roofdeck BBQ

6:00 PM - 8:00 PM — **Theta Chi**  
Cannolis and Regina's Pizza

6:00 PM - 8:30 PM — **Nu Delta**  
Steak & Lobster

6:00 PM — **Alpha Delta Phi**  
Cranberry Chicken Dinner

6:00 PM — **Phi Sigma Kappa**  
Steak and Lobster

6:00 PM — **Sigma Chi**  
Dinner in Boston

6:00 PM — **Theta Delta Chi**  
Fajitas for Dinner – Compliments of our Chef

6:00 PM — **Theta Xi**  
Taste of Kenmore

6:00 PM — **Zeta Beta Tau**  
Dinner: Roofdeck BBQ

6:22 PM — **Tau Epsilon Phi**  
1.022: Intro to Milk Crate Construction

6:00 PM - 7:30 PM — **Phi Delta Theta**  
BABY BACK RIBS

6:30 PM - 8:00 PM — **Zeta Psi**  
Italian Night

## 19:00

7:00 PM - 11:00 PM — **Pi Kappa Alpha**  
Card Games

7:00 PM — **Alpha Delta Phi**  
Pool and Board Games

7:00 PM — **Sigma Nu**  
Texas Hold 'Em for a 360

7:22 PM — **Tau Epsilon Phi**  
Mexican Feast

7:30 PM - 8:30 PM — **Delta Upsilon**  
Dinner

7:30 PM - 9:00 PM — **Pi Lambda Phi**  
Dinner at the House

7:30 PM — **Alpha Epsilon Pi**  
Fire and Ice Dinner

7:30 PM — **Theta Delta Chi**  
Video Game Tournament – Win a Wii

7:30 PM — **Zeta Beta Tau**  
Bowling

## 20:00

8:00 PM - 12:00 PM — **Delta Kappa Epsilon**  
Card games

8:00 PM - 12:00 AM — **Lambda Chi Alpha**  
Poker Night

8:00 PM - 11:00 PM — **Phi Kappa Theta**  
Laser Tag and Frosties

8:00 PM — **Alpha Delta Phi**  
Movie Marathon

8:00 PM — **Sigma Chi**  
Jillian's Bowling and Billiards

8:22 PM — **Tau Epsilon Phi**  
Lie-Off

8:30 PM - 10:30 PM — **Phi Delta Theta**  
BOAT CRUISE

## 21:00

9:00 PM - 11:00 PM — **Chi Phi**  
Open Mic Night at Chi Phi

9:00 PM - 11:00 PM — **Delta Upsilon**  
Roof Deck Concert

9:00 PM — **Theta Xi**  
Capture the Flag

9:22 PM — **Tau Epsilon Phi**  
AI v. Man Tournament

9:30 PM - 11:00 PM — **Pi Lambda Phi**  
The X-Rated Hypnotist

9:30 PM — **Alpha Epsilon Pi**  
AEPi Comedy Festival

## 22:00

10:00 PM - 2:00 AM — **Nu Delta**  
Monster Jam

10:00 PM - 2:00 AM — **Zeta Psi**  
Afterhours at Zeta Psi

10:00 PM — **Phi Sigma Kappa**  
Movie on the Roof

10:00 PM — **Sigma Nu**  
A Bos-Ton of Ice Cream

10:22 PM — **Tau Epsilon Phi**  
Carbonated Fruit

## 23:00

11:00 PM — **Zeta Beta Tau**  
Late Night Run to IHOP

11:22 PM — **Tau Epsilon Phi**  
Rock\* Light Show

11:30 PM — **Kappa Sigma**  
Midnight Buffet: Feel the Fire @ Kappa Sigma

11:59 PM — **Theta Xi**  
Vermonster Challenge

# TUESDAY

September 6th

## 00:00

12:00 AM - 1:00 AM — **Theta Chi**  
Midnight Snack

12:00 AM - 2:00 AM — **Phi Kappa Sigma**  
Steak and Shake

12:00 AM - 11:59 PM— **Sigma Alpha Epsilon**  
Pick up potato launchers

12:00 AM - 2:00 AM — **Sigma Phi Epsilon**  
Midnight IHOP Run

12:00 AM — **Theta Delta Chi**  
IHOP Run

## 06:00

6:22 AM — **Tau Epsilon Phi**  
Ditch Linux, break computers!

## 08:00

8:00 AM - 9:00 AM — **Nu Delta**  
Morning After Breakfast

8:30 AM — **Alpha Delta Phi**  
Breakfast

## 09:00

9:00 AM - 11:00 AM — **Chi Phi**  
Chi Phi Waffle Breakfast

9:00 AM - 11:00 AM — **Phi Kappa Theta**

Hearty Breakfast at the House

9:00 AM — **Alpha Epsilon Pi**  
What time is it? Waffle Time.

9:00 AM — **Zeta Beta Tau**  
ZBT Breakfast of Champions

## 10:00

10:00 AM - 12:00 PM — **Phi Kappa Sigma**  
Brunch

10:00 AM - 12:00 PM — **Pi Kappa Alpha**  
Brunch (homemade) — MacGregor BBQ Pits

10:00 AM - 2:00 PM — **Nu Delta**  
ND Football &Ballin

10:00 AM - 3:00 PM — **Lambda Chi Alpha**  
Sports Day

10:00 AM - 5:00 PM — **Pi Lambda Phi**  
School Supply Shopping

10:00 AM — **Phi Sigma Kappa**  
Fraternal House of Pancakes

10:30 AM — **Phi Sigma Kappa**  
Battle Canoeing

## 11:00

11:00 AM - 12:00 PM — **Phi Delta Theta**  
BRUNCH

11:00 AM - 3:00 PM — **Phi Kappa Sigma**  
Sailing and Kayaking on the Charles

11:00 AM - 3:00 PM — **Theta Chi**  
F1 Racing

11:00 AM — **Kappa Sigma**  
Reg Day Lunch

11:00 AM — **Sigma Chi**  
F1 Racing

11:00 AM — **Theta Xi**  
Kayaking on the Charles

## 12:00

12:00 PM - 3:00 PM — **Sigma Phi Epsilon**  
SigEp Soccer at Killian Court

12:00 PM - 5:00 PM — **Phi Delta Theta**  
WELLSELEY WATER SPORTS

12:00 PM — **Alpha Delta Phi**  
Lunch

12:00 PM — **Alpha Epsilon Pi**  
BBQ and Ultimate Frisbee on Kresge

12:00 PM — **Sigma Nu**  
Frisbee by Killian

12:00 PM — **Zeta Beta Tau**  
Lunch & Sports on Kresge Oval

12:30 PM — **Theta Delta Chi**  
BBQ

## 13:00

1:00 PM — **Delta Tau Delta**  
Paintball with Delts

1:30 PM — **Theta Delta Chi**  
Canoeing on the Charles

## 14:00

2:00 PM — **Alpha Delta Phi**  
XtremeTrampolining

2:00 PM — **Sigma Alpha Epsilon**  
Segways

2:00 PM — **Zeta Psi**  
Paintball

2:22 PM — **Tau Epsilon Phi**  
Reg Day Feynman

## 15:00

3:22 PM — **Tau Epsilon Phi**  
Ditch Windows, Install Linux!

## 16:00

4:00 PM - 7:00 PM — **Nu Delta**  
Roofdeck Barbeque

4:00 PM - 8:00 PM — **Sigma Phi Epsilon**  
Laser Tag

4:00 PM — **Sigma Chi**  
Sports on the Turf

4:00 PM — **Theta Delta Chi**  
Pick-Up Soccer

## 17:00

5:00 PM - 7:00 PM — **Pi Lambda Phi**  
Learn Acoustic Guitar + Jam Session

5:00 PM - 7:00 PM — **Chi Phi**  
Pre-Cruise Dinner

5:00 PM — **Sigma Alpha Epsilon**  
Dinner in Fanuiel Hall

5:00 PM — **Sigma Nu**  
OMGSNUBBQ

5:22 PM — **Tau Epsilon Phi**  
Find Stuff in Chinatown

## 18:00

6:00 PM - 7:30 PM — **Phi Kappa Theta**  
Steak Dinner

6:00 PM - 8:00 PM — **Theta Chi**  
Redbones Dinner

6:00 PM - 9:00 PM — **Lambda Chi Alpha**  
House Dinner

6:00 PM — **Alpha Delta Phi**  
Chicken Cordon Bleu

6:00 PM — **Alpha Epsilon Pi**  
PF Chang’s Chinese Dinner

6:00 PM — **Delta Tau Delta**  
Steak & Sushi Dinner

6:00 PM — **Kappa Sigma**  
Border Café Dinner with Kappa Sigma

6:00 PM — **Phi Sigma Kappa**  
Phi Sig Iron Chef

6:00 PM — **Sigma Chi**  
House Dinner

6:00 PM — **Theta Delta Chi**  
Teriyaki. It’s What’s for Dinner

6:00 PM — **Theta Xi**  
New England Clam Bake

6:00 PM — **Zeta Beta Tau**  
Dinner

6:22 PM — **Tau Epsilon Phi**  
Cook what you found in Chinatown

6:30 PM - 8:00 PM — **Zeta Psi**  
Epic Meal Time

## 19:00

7:00 PM - 8:30 PM — **Pi Lambda Phi**  
Dinner at the House

7:00 PM - 9:00 PM — **Phi Delta Theta**  
FIRE AND ICE RESTAURANT

7:00 PM - 10:00 PM — **Chi Phi**  
Chi Phi Liberty Clipper Boat Cruise

7:00 PM - 10:00 PM — **Pi Kappa Alpha**  
Frynight (with class advice) — Bur-ton 233

7:00 PM — **Alpha Delta Phi**

Batting Cages and Mini-Golf

7:00 PM — **Sigma Nu**  
Prudential Skywalk

7:22 PM — **Tau Epsilon Phi**  
BBQ on the roof

7:30 PM - 8:30 PM — **Delta Upsilon**  
Dinner

7:30 PM - 10:00 PM — **Pi Lambda Phi**  
Laser Tag

7:30 PM — **Delta Tau Delta**  
F1 Go-Kart Racing

7:30 PM — **Zeta Beta Tau**  
Final Potato Gun Firing & The His-tory of Hacks at MIT

## 20:00

8:00 PM - 12:00 AM — **Delta Upsi-lon**  
Jeff Ma Poker Night

8:00 PM - 10:00 PM — **Sigma Phi Epsilon**  
Chicken and Waffles with SigEp

8:00 PM - 11:00 PM — **Phi Kappa Theta**  
Movie and Pinkberry on the Roof

8:00 PM — **Alpha Epsilon Pi**  
Hot Fudge Sundae Splurge

8:00 PM — **Sigma Chi**  
Pizza and Super Smash

8:00 PM — **Theta Xi**  
Mini-Golf

8:22 PM — **Tau Epsilon Phi**  
Movie on the Roof: Repo Man

8:30 PM - 11:30 PM — **Delta Kappa Epsilon**  
Maggiano’s Little Italy Dinner (invite only)

8:30 PM — **Alpha Epsilon Pi**  
Extreme Spud Guns: Potato Cannon Shoot-off

8:30 PM — **Zeta Beta Tau**  
Jam Session

## 21:00

9:00 PM - 12:00 PM — **Phi Delta Theta**  
POOL TOURNAMENT

9:00 PM - 1:00 AM — **Sigma Phi Epsilon**  
Board Games of the Past Present and Future

9:00 PM - 1:00 AM — **Sigma Phi Epsilon**  
Smashing Rock Bros of Duty

9:00 PM — **Zeta Beta Tau**  
Iron Chef

## 23:00

11:00 PM — **Theta Xi**  
Theta XiHOP

# WEDNESDAY

September 7th

## 00:00

12:00 AM — **Sigma Alpha Epsilon**  
Hacking with SAE

12:00 AM - 1:00 AM — **Theta Chi**  
Midnight Snack

## 08:00

8:30 AM — **Alpha Delta Phi**  
Breakfast

## 12:00

12:00 PM — **Alpha Delta Phi**  
Lunch

12:00 PM — **Phi Sigma Kappa**  
Lunch on the Steps

## 13:00

1:00 PM - 3:00 PM — **Nu Delta**  
Lunch w/ the Brotherhood

## 15:00

3:00 PM — **Alpha Delta Phi**  
Hanging Out After Classes

## 17:00

5:00 PM - 7:00 PM — **Nu Delta**  
Target Runs

5:00 PM — **Sigma Alpha Epsilon**  
Kresge BBQ Pits

5:00 PM — **Sigma Nu**  
Dinner By Josh

5:22 PM — **Tau Epsilon Phi**  
Cook haus food with us

5:30 PM - 7:00 PM — **Chi Phi**  
Fajitas and Tacos at Chi Phi

## 18:00

6:00 PM - 8:00 PM — **Phi Kappa Sigma**  
Gerry’s South of the Border Burritos

6:00 PM - 9:00 PM — **Theta Chi**  
Candlepin Bowling and Brick-Fired Pizza

6:00 PM — **Alpha Delta Phi**  
Networking Dinner with Alumni

6:00 PM — **Delta Tau Delta**  
Hooters with Delts

6:00 PM — **Phi Sigma Kappa**  
Back Bay Banquet

6:00 PM — **Sigma Chi**  
House Dinner

6:00 PM — **Sigma Nu**  
Espionage

6:00 PM — **Theta Xi**  
Gourmet Dinner

6:00 PM — **Zeta Beta Tau**  
Dinner: Chef’s Choice

6:30 PM — **Theta Delta Chi**  
Southern Style Dinner - Compli-ments of our Chef

## 19:00

7:00 PM - 8:30 PM — **Pi Lambda Phi**  
Dinner at the House

7:00 PM - 9:00 PM — **Phi Delta Theta**  
KAZE SHABU SHABU RESTAURANT

7:00 PM - 10:00 PM — **Nu Delta**  
Dick’s Last Resort

7:00 PM - 10:00 PM — **Zeta Psi**  
Steak & Lobster (Invite Only)

7:00 PM - 11:00 PM — **Chi Phi**  
Chi Phi Open

7:00 PM — **Alpha Epsilon Pi**  
Max Brenner’s Chocolate for Dinner

7:00 PM — **Kappa Sigma**  
Noodle Run: Chinatown with Kappa Sigma

7:00 PM — **Sigma Alpha Epsilon**  
Study Session

7:00 PM — **Zeta Beta Tau**  
SkyZone

7:22 PM — **Tau Epsilon Phi**  
Hausfud

7:30 PM — **Phi Sigma Kappa**

Mini Golf

## 20:00

8:00 PM - 12:00 AM — **Lambda Chi Alpha**  
Boat Cruise

8:00 PM - 12:00 AM — **Phi Kappa Sigma**  
Poker Tournament

8:00 PM - 9:00 PM — **Sigma Phi Epsilon**  
Steak out with SigEp

8:00 PM - 9:30 PM — **Delta Upsilon**  
Fire and Ice

8:00 PM - 11:00 PM — **Delta Kappa Epsilon**  
Boat Cruise (invite only)

8:00 PM — **Delta Tau Delta**  
Rumspringa in Boston

8:00 PM — **Sigma Nu**  
Carvalho’s Bad Movie Night: The Sequel

8:00 PM — **Theta Xi**  
Flavor-Tripping Party

8:30 PM - 11:00 PM — **Pi Lambda Phi**  
Bowling

8:30 PM — **Alpha Delta Phi**  
Ice Cream Social

## 21:00

7:00 PM - 10:00 PM — **Pi Kappa Alpha**  
Pizza and Sundaes — BC Porter Room

9:00 PM - 1:30 AM — **Phi Kappa Theta**  
Bowling and IHOP

9:00 PM - 10:00 PM — **Sigma Phi Epsilon**  
Mike’s Pastries

9:00 PM — **Alpha Epsilon Pi**  
Outdoor Film Festival by the Charles

9:00 PM — **Sigma Chi**  
Tea (our weekly party)

9:00 PM — **Theta Delta Chi**  
Ice Cream Study Break

9:30 PM - 10:30 PM — **Delta Upsilon**  
Dessert in Boston

## 22:00

10:22 PM — **Tau Epsilon Phi**  
Beatnik Dr. Seuss Cocoa

## 23:00

11:00 PM — **Sigma Alpha Epsilon**  
IHOP

11:00 PM — **Zeta Psi**  
Night Ultimate Frisbee

# THURSDAY

September 8th

## 00:00

12:00 AM - 1:00 AM — **Theta Chi**  
Midnight Snack

## 08:00

8:30 AM — **Alpha Delta Phi**  
Breakfast

## 12:00

12:00 PM — **Alpha Delta Phi**  
Lunch



13:00

1:00 PM - 3:00 PM — **Nu Delta**  
Lunch w/ the Brotherhood

15:00

3:00 PM — **Alpha Delta Phi**  
Hanging out after classes

17:00

5:00 PM - 7:00 PM — **Phi Delta Theta**  
BBQ

5:00 PM — **Sigma Alpha Epsilon**  
Traveling Couch (invite only)

5:22 PM — **Tau Epsilon Phi**  
Cook haus food with us

18:00

6:00 PM - 8:00 PM — **Phi Kappa Sigma**  
Homestyle Dinner

6:00 PM - 8:00 PM — **Theta Chi**  
North End Dinner (Invite Only)

6:00 PM — **Alpha Delta Phi**  
Chicken Parmesan

6:00 PM — **Sigma Nu**  
Dinner By Josh: The Second Helping

6:00 PM — **Theta Xi**  
Dinner in the North End

6:00 PM — **Zeta Beta Tau**  
Dinner: Chef’s Choice

6:30 PM — **Theta Delta Chi**  
Boston Harbor Boat Cruise (Invite Only)

19:00

7:00 PM - 8:00 PM — **Delta Upsilon**  
Dinner

7:00 PM - 8:30 PM — **Pi Lambda Phi**  
Dinner at the House

7:00 PM - 9:00 PM — **Phi Kappa Theta**  
Dinner at the House

7:00 PM - 10:00 PM — **Pi Kappa Alpha**  
Dinner and videogames in Mac-Gregor G entry

7:00 PM - 11:00 PM — **Lambda Chi Alpha**  
NFL Opening Night

7:00 PM — **Alpha Delta Phi**  
PowerpointImprov

7:00 PM — **Alpha Epsilon Pi**  
Newbury Street Dinner & Gelato

7:00 PM — **Zeta Beta Tau**  
Mini Golf

7:00 PM — **Zeta Psi**  
Zetes on the Town (Invite Only)

7:22 PM — **Tau Epsilon Phi**  
Hausfud

7:30 PM — **Kappa Sigma**  
NFL Opening Night @ Kappa Sigma

20:00

8:00 PM - 9:00 PM — **Sigma Phi Epsilon**  
Hsin Hsin restaurant

8:00 PM - 9:30 PM — **Phi Delta Theta**  
IMPROV ASYLUM

8:00 PM - 11:00 PM — **Delta Upsilon-silon**  
Yacht Cruise

8:00 PM - 12:00 PM — **Delta Kappa**

**Epsilon**  
Wings and a Movie

8:00 PM — **Sigma Alpha Epsilon**  
Union Oyster House (invite only)

8:00 PM — **Sigma Nu**  
Super Smash & Super Smoothies

8:30 PM - 11:00 PM — **Pi Lambda Phi**  
Famous Desserts with Alumni

21:00

9:00 PM - 12:00 AM — **Phi Kappa Sigma**  
Steak and Shake

9:00 PM - 11:30 PM — **Phi Kappa Theta**  
Jello Drop

9:00 PM — **Alpha Delta Phi**  
Smovie Night

9:00 PM — **Alpha Epsilon Pi**  
Game Night and Halo/SuperSmash Tournament

9:00 PM — **Sigma Nu**  
Mike’s Pastries

22:00

10:00 PM — **Alpha Epsilon Pi**  
Cider and Banana Bread Study Break

10:22 PM — **Tau Epsilon Phi**  
Bubble Ball

23:00

11:00 PM — **Sigma Alpha Epsilon**  
Poker (invite only)

11:00 PM — **Zeta Psi**  
Night Ultimate Frisbee

FRIDAY

September 9th

00:00

12:00 AM - 1:00 AM — **Theta Chi**  
Midnight Snack

08:00

8:30 AM — **Alpha Delta Phi**  
Breakfast

12:00

12:00 PM — **Alpha Delta Phi**  
Lunch

16:00

4:00 PM — **Theta Xi**  
Theta Xi Tea (invitation only)

17:00

5:00 PM - 10:00 PM — **Pi Kappa Alpha**  
Tour of MIT (invite only)

5:00 PM - 11:00 PM — **Sigma Alpha Epsilon**  
Beach (invite only)

5:00 PM — **Zeta Psi**  
Pour House (Invite Only)

18:00

6:00 PM — **Alpha Delta Phi**  
Bid Dinner (Invite Only)

6:00 PM — **Zeta Beta Tau**  
Dinner with Zebes

19:00

7:00 PM - 10:00 PM — **Lambda Chi Alpha**  
Bid Dinner

7:00 PM - 10:00 PM — **Sigma Phi Epsilon**  
Bid Dinner

7:00 PM — **Sigma Nu**  
Bid Dinner (Invitation Only)

7:00 PM — **Theta Delta Chi**  
Dinner in Boston (Invite Only)

7:30 PM - 9:30 PM — **Pi Lambda Phi**  
Bid Dinner (Invite Only)

21:00

9:30 PM - 11:30 PM — **Pi Lambda Phi**  
Improv Asylum

22:00

10:22 PM — **Tau Epsilon Phi**  
Food Orgy

10:30 PM - 2:00 AM — **Delta Up-**

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Club DU

SATURDAY

September 10th

09:00

9:00 AM — **Sigma Nu**  
Dragon Taming (Invitation Only)

11:00

11:00 AM — **Alpha Delta Phi**  
Dim Sum

11:00 AM — **Zeta Beta Tau**  
Harbor Cruise to George’s Island

12:00

12:00 PM — **Alpha Epsilon Pi**  
BBQ at the House

14:00

2:00 PM — **Alpha Delta Phi**  
Rock Climbing

20:00

8:00 PM — **Zeta Beta Tau**  
Walking Tour of Boston, ending with Mike’s Pastries

22:00

10:22 PM — **Tau Epsilon Phi**  
Dubstep Brunch

SUNDAY

September 11th

12:00

12:00 PM — **Zeta Beta Tau**  
Larz Anderson Picnic

20:00

8:00 PM — **Zeta Beta Tau**  
Study Break & histories

ILGs

SATURDAY

September 3rd

12:00

12:00 PM — **pika**  
Killian Kickoff. Find us at the Killian Kickoff and have some vegan and other special cookies with your barbecue.

12:15 PM — **Epsilon Theta**  
Boffing in Lobby 7 - Grab a foam sword and face the evil Knight for a chance to win ducks and glory. Meet us in Lobby 7.

13:00

1:06 – 05:06 PM — **No. 6 Club**  
Mechancial Bull - You proved that you have what it takes to come to MIT. Do you have what it takes to survive? Come join us and our mechanical bull to show your skills. Be sure to not miss out on the Greek-style lamb roast as well!

1:30 — **Epsilon Theta**  
Battleship Twister - “Green two.” “Ow, you sunk my left foot!” Meet us in Lobby 7 at this time to catch our van.

14:00

2–4 PM — **Fenway House**  
Water Fight, Location TBD. Come find us at the kick-off griller and we’ll form teams and battle it out with super soakers and balloons!

15:00

3:06 PM — **No. 6 Club**  
Lamb Roast - Delight in the savory taste of Delicious Lamb roasted right over the fire and indulge in the culinary talents of our members. Come take over our parking lot, and chill outside under the bright Boston sun, with delicious Lamb and refreshing lemonade. Join us in our traditional start to Rush, it’s not right to miss the Lamb Roast!

3:30 PM — **Epsilon Theta**  
Contact Charades - Like the game Contact, but more...gesticulatory. Meet us in Lobby 7 at this time to catch our van.

17:00

5:15 PM— **Epsilon Theta**  
Dinner - Chicken Fajitas! Come eat dinner with us at our house. Vegetarian options are always available. Meet us in Lobby 7 at this time to catch our van.

5:30 PM — **pika**  
Roofdeck Smoothies. With all natural ingredients, our fruit smoothies (vegan and not) will take you to cloud nine - especially since pika’s roofdeck is already closer to the heavens than any other roof in Cambridge.

18:00

6:30 PM — **pika**  
Italifornian Dinner. Join us for an exquisite Italian dinner courtesy of a West Coast hippy.

19:00

7 PM — **Epsilon Theta**  
Crazy Electronic Music - Realize your dream of becoming an EE rock star. Meet us in Lobby 7 at this time to catch our van.

7 PM — **WILG**  
Tacos. Join us for a delicious dinner at WILG!

20:00

8 PM— **pika**  
Unleash your Inner Hippie. Learn how to be a stereotypical hippy at pika: tie-dye, bracelets, sustainability, henna, granola, and general grooviness.

21:00

9 PM— **Epsilon Theta**  
Telephone Pictionary - Thought the game Telephone was hard enough? Try doing it with pictures. Meet us in Lobby 7 this time to catch our van.

9 PM— **pika**  
Raft across the Charles to BU pika prides itself on its intercampus connections - take a secret raft journey to Boston University and meet our beantown compatriots!

9 PM— **Fenway House**  
Hot Chocolate and Rocky Horror. Meet us in front of the student center and come get delicious L.A. Burdick’s hot chocolate in Harvard Square then experience the insanity that is the Rocky Horror Picture Show. Costumes encouraged!

22:00

10:06 PM — **No. 6 Club**  
Tech-ankh-amun: Dance of the Nile - The Pharoahs of olden times had many things going for them, festivals and celebrations shared the magnitude of their pyramids and monuments, so don’t miss out on a party of epic proportions.

23:00

11:00 PM — **Epsilon Theta**  
JP Licks Mob - Engage in some good ol’ dairy consumption. Meet us in Lobby 7 at this time to catch our van.

SUNDAY

September 4th

10:00

10:06 AM – 04:06 PM — **No. 6 Club**  
Trip to Walden Pond Our annual rush trip to Walden Pond, once habitat of Henry David Thoreau and an inspiration for his book Walden. A Historic Site as well as a State Reservation, it is an enchanting and beautiful place. Join us!

12:00

12 noon — **Fenway House**  
Brunch at Fenway House. Meet in front of the student center to walk over and experience delicious breakfast food (including lots of bacon).

12:15 PM— **Epsilon Theta**  
Lunch - Come have clam chowder, corn chowder, and ice cream with us. Meet us in Lobby 7 at this time to catch our van.

13:00

1:30 PM— **Epsilon Theta**  
Boffer Construction - Make a sword, or a spear, or anything else your weapon-happy heart desires. Meet us in Lobby 7 at this time to catch our van.

1:30-3:30 PM— **Fenway House**  
Museum of Fine Arts. Join us for an afternoon of art and culture at the Boston MFA.

15:00

3:30 PM — **Epsilon Theta**

Boffing in the Park - Enjoy the beautiful park across from our house while simultaneously beating people with foam weapons. Meet us in Lobby 7 at this time to catch our van.

3:30-7 PM — **Fenway House**  
Wings and Chillin. After an afternoon of art, hang out playing video games and eat wings with the crew at Fenway house.

## 16:00

4:22 PM — **pika**  
pika-tEp Water War. An epic pirate war has raged on for years and years between pika and tEp - be there on the Charles and help us defend MIT’s lands against the perpetrators from the Boston side! ARRGH!

## 17:00

5:15 PM — **Epsilon Theta**  
Dinner - Make your own pizza! Meet us in Lobby 7 at this time to catch our van.

## 18:00

6:30 PM — **pika**  
Indian Dinner. Our Mauritian chef makes a tasty Indian dinner (Mauritius is close to India, relatively).

## 19:00

7 PM — **WILG**  
Breakfast for Dinner. Join us for a delicious brinner at WILG!

7:06pm PM — **No. 6 Club**  
Crêpes & Coffee - Sixers love Crêpes and Coffee, and you should too. Our talented members will use our espresso machine and our secret French crêpe recipe to bring you the best evening dessert. Enjoy!

## 20:00

8 PM — **Epsilon Theta**  
Party - The n Doctors Party! Come celebrate your favorite Doctors: Horrible, Who, Strangelove, Mario, Seuss... There will be LARPing, Doctor Jeopardy, movie showings on our giant projector, sing-alongs, and lots of dessert. Meet us in Lobby 7 at this time to catch our van.

8 PM— **pika**  
Dye your Hair! Come and make your hair look exciting with colorful dye and henna!

8:30 PM— **pika**  
Build a Firestaff. Build a firestaff.

9:00 PM — **pika**  
Make and/or Consume Bubble Tea. Suck little black goeey tapioca balls through a fat straw and wash them down with sweet artificially flavored milky tea - a surprisingly delicious MIT classic.

## 22:00

10:00 PM— **pika**  
Roofdeck Movie and Sleepover. Count the few stars whose radiation makes it through the Boston light pollution, watch a movie and fall asleep above the roofs of Cambridgeport.

# MONDAY

September 5th

## 09:00

9 AM— **pika**  
English Channel Breakfast. We have international students, including Brits and Frenchmen, but who makes the better breakfast?

## 10:00

10:06 AM - 04:06 PM — **No. 6 Club**

Beach Trip - Come join us for a trip to the beach, where we’re going to have so much fun out there in the sun. And have a good breakfast with us right before, with good whole-some food, fruits, coffee and all that jazz.

## 12:00

12 noon — **Fenway House**  
Lunch at Fenway House. Meet in front of the student center to walk over and experience delicious comfort food with lots of mac & cheese.

12:15 PM — **Epsilon Theta**  
Lunch - Burgers! Vegetarian options are always available. Meet us in Lobby 7 at this time to catch our van.

## 13:00

1:30 PM — **Epsilon Theta**  
Card Games - How many things can you do with a deck of playing cards? Come find out (hint - a lot). Meet us in Lobby 7 at this time to catch our van.

1:30-3:30 PM — **Fenway House**  
Walk the Freedom Trail. Come walk the freedom trail and experience Boston history (and find out where all the good social scenes are located around the city) with your trusty Fenway tour guides.

## 15:00

3:30 PM — **Epsilon Theta**  
Giant Bubbles - Help us conduct experiments in surface tension by blowing huge bubbles! Meet us in Lobby 7 at this time to catch our van.

## 16:00

4:45 PM — **Epsilon Theta**  
Kemps - A card game that rewards clever communication. We’ll be playing it in Lobby 7.

## 17:00

5:00 PM — **pika**  
Learn to Brew Ginger Ale and Root Beer! Come learn the basics of nonalcoholic brewing, and come back Friday to drink the fruit of your efforts!

5:15 PM — **Epsilon Theta**  
Dinner - Beef teriyaki, vegetable stir-fry, and scallion pancakes. Come eat dinner with us at our house. Meet us in Lobby 7 at this time to catch the van.

## 18:00

6:30 PM — **pika**  
Guang Hao does his dinner taste so good? Guang Hao (pronounced ‘how’) makes delicious food and his name has unlimited pun capacity.

## 19:00

7 PM — **Epsilon Theta**  
Stargazing - We’ll head out of Boston to get a better look at the night sky. Sip hot cocoa while our resident astronomers ramble on about little bright spots in the sky. Meet us in Lobby 7 at this time to catch our van.

7 PM — **WILG**  
Balsamic Chicken & Bruschetta. Join us for a delicious dinner at WILG!

8 PM — **pika**  
Firestaff Spinning. Spin or watch others spin firestaffs.

8:06 PM — **No. 6 Club**  
International Supper - Feel hungry and want some very good food from all corners of the world? The Number Six Club is the place to come for fine dining of the worldly persuasion.

## 21:00

9 PM — **pika**  
Harvard Adventure: Frozen Yogurt and Secret Playground. We’ll take you to the best frozen yogurt place and the most fantastic playground in the world!

## 23:00

11 PM — **pika**  
The Fine Art of Freeganism. The final step to becoming a true hippy. Field trip!

# TUESDAY

September 6th

## 12:00

12:15 PM — **Epsilon Theta**  
Son of Duck - Be in Lobby 7 at 12:15 PM sharp for a very classy performance by the Ducks in Suits.

## 13:00

1 PM — **pika**  
Rock Climbing! Come climbing with pika! Hopefully outdoors, but there is a sweet gym if it’s raining or anything.

1:06 – 05:06 PM — **No. 6 Club**  
Soap Soccer- Yes. Slip slide and kick a ball with your foot on Briggs Field in our little football field. It will be epic. It will be also more epic if you can actually score.

1:30 PM — **Epsilon Theta**  
Oregon Trail by committee - Experience one of the most beloved computer games of all time, in a way that it totally wasn’t meant to be played. Meet us in Lobby 7 at this time to catch our van.

## 15:00

3:30 PM — **Epsilon Theta**  
Poster Karaoke - Sort of like Powerpoint Karaoke. Make scientific presentations on topics that you know nothing about! Silliness is highly encouraged. Meet us in Lobby 7 at this time to catch our van.

## 16:00

4:45 PM — **Epsilon Theta**  
Contact - The famous word-guessing game. We’ll be playing it in Lobby 7.

## 17:00

5:15 PM — **Epsilon Theta**  
Dinner - Pork chops and squash soup! Come eat dinner with us at our house. Meet us in Lobby 7 at this time to catch the van.

5:30 PM — **pika**  
(Learn to) Make Sushi! Sushi rolling is a simple yet highly zen experience - learn to do it yourself and get acquainted with pika's kitchen.

## 18:00

6:30 PM — **pika**  
Sushi Dinner Sushi is subtle; Raw fish can tempt your taste buds; But... waffle sushi?

## 19:00

7 PM — **WILG**  
Chili and Cornbread. Join us for a delicious dinner at WILG, followed by chocolate fondue.

7 PM — **Epsilon Theta**  
Manhunt - Need am excuse to run around the halls of MIT? Come play our own version of manhunt. We’ll meet in Lobby 7.

7:06 PM — **No. 6 Club**  
Roofdeck Lounge - The roofdeck is one of our most celebrated house areas. Come enjoy pastries, coffee and the night view over MIT with all the sixers. Hold on to your cups!

7:30 PM — **pika**  
proud pikan pastimes Trilogy: Shoeblade, Forkapple and Iron Chef. Shoeblade (n): a purely pikan sport in which a participant attempts to place a shoe on a fan blade using a stick. Predicted date of induction into the Olympic Games: 2012.

## 20:00

8 PM — **WILG**  
Chocolate Fondue. Come for the chocolate, stay for the chocolate.

## 21:00

9 PM — **Epsilon Theta**  
Edible Katamari - Nah, nah nah nah-nuh-nah-nah-na NOM OM NOM NOM. Meet us in Lobby 7 at this time to catch our van.

9 PM — **pika**  
Electronica at Central Square’s Middle East Club (18+). Get off campus, come listen to music and dance at an 18+ club ten minutes from MIT.

9-11 PM — **Fenway House**  
Recess Games on Killian Court. Join us for TV tag and glow-in-the-dark Frisbee and all those other recess games you miss from elementary school.

# WEDNESDAY

September 7th

## 16:00

4:45 PM — **Epsilon Theta**  
Falling - A lightning-fast card game. We’ll be playing it in Lobby 7.

## 17:00

5:15 PM — **Epsilon Theta**  
Dinner - Curried lamb/chickpeas, rice and lentils. Come eat dinner with us at our house. Meet us in Lobby 7 at this time to catch our van.

## 18:00

6:30 PM — **pika**  
Ethiopian Dinner Our finest Welshman overwhelms you with the sweet sensations of Ethiopian cooking.

6:30 PM — **Fenway House**  
Dinner from around the World. Meet in front of the student center to walk over to Fenway and enjoy cultural food from around the world cooked by your very own Fenway Residents!

## 19:00

7 PM — **Epsilon Theta**  
Board Game Night - Do you desire Dominion? Perhaps you pine for Puerto Rico? Whether you’re a serious board gamer or you’ve never played them before, come play! Meet us in Lobby 7 at this time to catch our van.

7 PM — **WILG**  
Thai Food. Join us for a delicious dinner at WILG!

## 20:00

8 PM — **pika**  
Chill at pika, Maybe Watch a Movie. It’s a school night, so we’ll do what we usually do - hang out, maybe watch Jon Stewart or something.

8:36 PM — **No. 6 Club**  
Conversations at Number Six - We love to dissect and ponder upon various topics as well as to argue about and discuss every little bit of them. Come reflect upon the issues of the modern world, and let your intellect run wild in the comfort of our rustic second floor.

# THURSDAY

September 8th

## 16:00

4:45 PM — **Epsilon Theta**  
Word Association Games - Help us come up with silly word games. We’ll be playing them in Lobby 7.

## 17:00

5:15 PM — **Epsilon Theta**  
Dinner - Antipasto and tortelloni! And peach cobbler for dessert. Come eat dinner with us at our house. Meet us in Lobby 7 at this time to catch our van.

## 18:00

6:30 PM — **pika**  
Dîner français. Nos étudiants français préparent un dîner de leur cuisine légendaire. Allons-y!

## 19:00

7 PM — **Epsilon Theta**  
Science Balderdash - “This graph clearly depicts the rise of tea prices in China over time.” “But...it’s a pie chart.” Invent ridiculous descriptions for the strangest graphs we could find on the Internet. Meet us in Lobby 7 at this time to catch our van.

7 PM — **WILG**  
Meat and Vegetarian Lasagna. Join us for a delicious dinner at WILG!

7:06 PM — **No. 6 Club**  
Café Vittoria - Celebrate the end of Rush with fine coffee and delicacies from Italy at Café Vittoria, in Boston’s North end. We shall take little Italy by storm. The fine end to a fancy rush.

## 20:00

8-10 PM — **Fenway House**  
Campfire with food and music at Kresge BBQ pits. Hot dogs, Smores, Live Music, and Ghost Stories, Oh My!

8 PM — **WILG**  
Trip to Berryline. Meet at WILG and we’ll head down to Harvard Square for a frozen yogurt treat.

## 21:00

9 PM — **pika**  
Pirates vs. Ninjas Capture the Flag. Meet us in Lobby 10 to play CTF pika-style; we’ll bring the swords and projectiles. It’ll be epic!

# FRIDAY

September 9th

## 16:00

4:45 PM — **Epsilon Theta**  
Real Time Survival Horror - A quick card game made by some of our own members, featuring ghosts, zombies and raptors. We’ll be playing it in Lobby 7.

## 17:00

5:15 PM — **Epsilon Theta**  
Dinner - Dumplings! Meet us in Lobby 7 at this time to catch our van.

## 18:00

6:30 PM — **pika**  
Matzo-Bacon Dinner. Something for everyone! Vegan option available, as always.

## 19:00

7 PM — **WILG**



Sweet and Savory Crepes. Join us for a delicious dinner at WILG!

7 PM — **Epsilon Theta**  
Firefly Marathon - Can we make it all the way through this Joss Whedon classic? Meet us in Lobby 7 at this time to catch our van.

7:30 PM — **pika**  
Try Home-Brewed Root Beer/Ginger Ale. Remember that brewing lesson you had on Monday? Taste your results!

20:00

8 PM — **pika**  
Frisbee and Other Sports. Sometimes we go to Brigg's field and goof off - you should come!

8 PM — **WILG**  
Movie Night. Come relax with us and watch movies on our 50" Plasma TV a great way to unwind after the first week of classes!

22:00

10:30 PM — **pika**  
Kid A: The Most Transcendent Listening Experience You Will Ever Have. You feel yourself dissolve into the sonic cesspools gathering in the crevices of your brain as your pupils relax and succumb to the light of planets dying, reborn, dying, reborn on a white wall.

00:00

12 midnight — **Epsilon Theta**  
Sleepover in the Pit - Once we get sick of Firefly (is that even possible?), we can lay around and have deep philosophical conversations about life. Or late-night Mexican food. Or both, I guess. Meet us in Lobby 7 at this time to catch our van.

## SATURDAY

September 10th

12:00

12:15 PM — **Epsilon Theta**  
Lunch - Try our mac n' cheese, and enjoy a delicious bowl of strawberry soup. Meet us in Lobby 7 at this time

to catch our van.

13:00

1:30 PM — **Epsilon Theta**  
Sailing - Join us for a scenic trip along the Charles. Meet us in Lobby 7 at this time, and we'll head over to the boat house. In case of rain, we'll head back and play board games instead.

15:00

3:00 PM — **pika**  
Medieval Weaponry Demo and Lessons. Watch and learn medieval-era longsword fighting techniques from traveling ren-faire professionals.

3:30 PM — **Epsilon Theta**  
Duck Duck Mafia, and Other Experiments - The classic game Mafia, with a whimsical twist. Meet us in Lobby 7 at this time to catch our van.

4:00 PM — **pika**  
Paint a Mural! We still have a couple empty walls in our house - come design and bring into existence a brand new mural!

17:00

5:15 PM — **Epsilon Theta**  
Dinner - Ham, pinto bean cakes, and magic cookies, among other yummy things! Vegetarian options are always available. Meet us in Lobby 7 at this time to catch our van.

18:00

6:30 PM — **pika**  
Homemade Delicious Pizza Magic. This pizza is tops. Carnivore, herbivore, whatever you are you can't miss Jess's pizza magic.

19:00

7 PM — **Epsilon Theta**  
ET Mini-Puzzle Hunt - Strengthen your puzzle-solving muscles for Mystery Hunt with one of our custom-made Mini-Hunts. Meet us in Lobby 7 at this time to catch our van.

7 PM — **WILG**  
Salmon and Risotto. Join us for a delicious dinner at WILG!

20:00

8 PM — **pika**  
Gender Blender Pride Night. pika's LGBT orientation event - play bananagrams, make smoothies, discuss LGBT life at MIT, and dress up for our Rocky Horror trip.

8 PM — **pika**  
Dye your Hair! Missed the earlier hair-dye event/sick of your old color already? More hair dye!

8 PM — **WILG**  
Cheesecake and A Cappella. Come enjoy tasty homemade cheesecakes while an all-male A Cappella group serenades you.

21:00

9 PM — **Epsilon Theta**  
Applying the Scientific Method to Cookies - How does one make the best cookie? With SCIENCE! Meet us in Lobby 7 at this time to catch our van.

23:00

11:30 PM — **pika**  
Rocky Horror Picture Show. Join us as we cross boundaries and walk to the local showing of Rocky Horror - if you've never been, you seriously have to come!

## SUNDAY

September 11th

13:00

1 PM — **Epsilon Theta**  
Corn Maze - Join us for an epic journey through a mysterious land of corn. Will Team Awesome finally beat Team Apathy in the Corn Maze Challenge? Picnic lunch will be provided. Meet us in Lobby 7 at this time to catch our van.

1 PM — **WILG**  
Trip to Amesbury Sports Park for Summer Tubing and OGO Ride. Ever had the desire to roll down a hill in a giant ball? Come with us for a day of tubing and outdoor thrills. Limited spots, advance sign up required sign up during a house dinner before Saturday 9/10!

17:00

5:15 PM — **Epsilon Theta**  
Dinner - Chili! Vegetarian options are always available. Meet us in Lobby 7 at this time to catch our van.

19:00

7 PM — **Epsilon Theta**  
Thetan-Made Board Game Night - In the past, some of our members have made their own board games. Come play them! Meet us in Lobby 7 at this time to catch our van.

7 PM — **WILG**  
Steak, Chicken, and Veggie Fajitas. Join us for a delicious dinner at WILG, followed by house dessert.

## MONDAY

September 12th

19:00

7 PM — **WILG**  
Tortellini & Tiramisu. No time to go to the North End? Join us at WILG for an Italian dinner followed by Tiramisu from Modern Pastry.

## TUESDAY

September 13th

19:00

7 PM — **WILG**  
Indian Curry with Spinach Paneer. Join us for a delicious dinner at WILG!

## WEDNESDAY

September 14th

19:00

7 PM — **WILG**  
Hawaiian Kebabs. Join us for a delicious dinner at WILG, followed by Tropical Smoothies.

20:00

8 PM — **WILG**  
Tropical Smoothies. Enjoy tropical smoothies made with assorted frozen fruits, fresh pineapple, and toasted coconut.

## THURSDAY

September 15th

19:00

7 PM — **WILG**  
Chicken and Eggplant Parmesan. Join us for a delicious dinner at WILG!

## FRIDAY

September 16th

19:00

7 PM — **WILG**  
Three Course Candlelit Meal. Join us by candle light for three delicious courses. Enjoy Mediterranean vegetables followed by seafood and pasta, and end the evening with a fancy dessert.

## SATURDAY

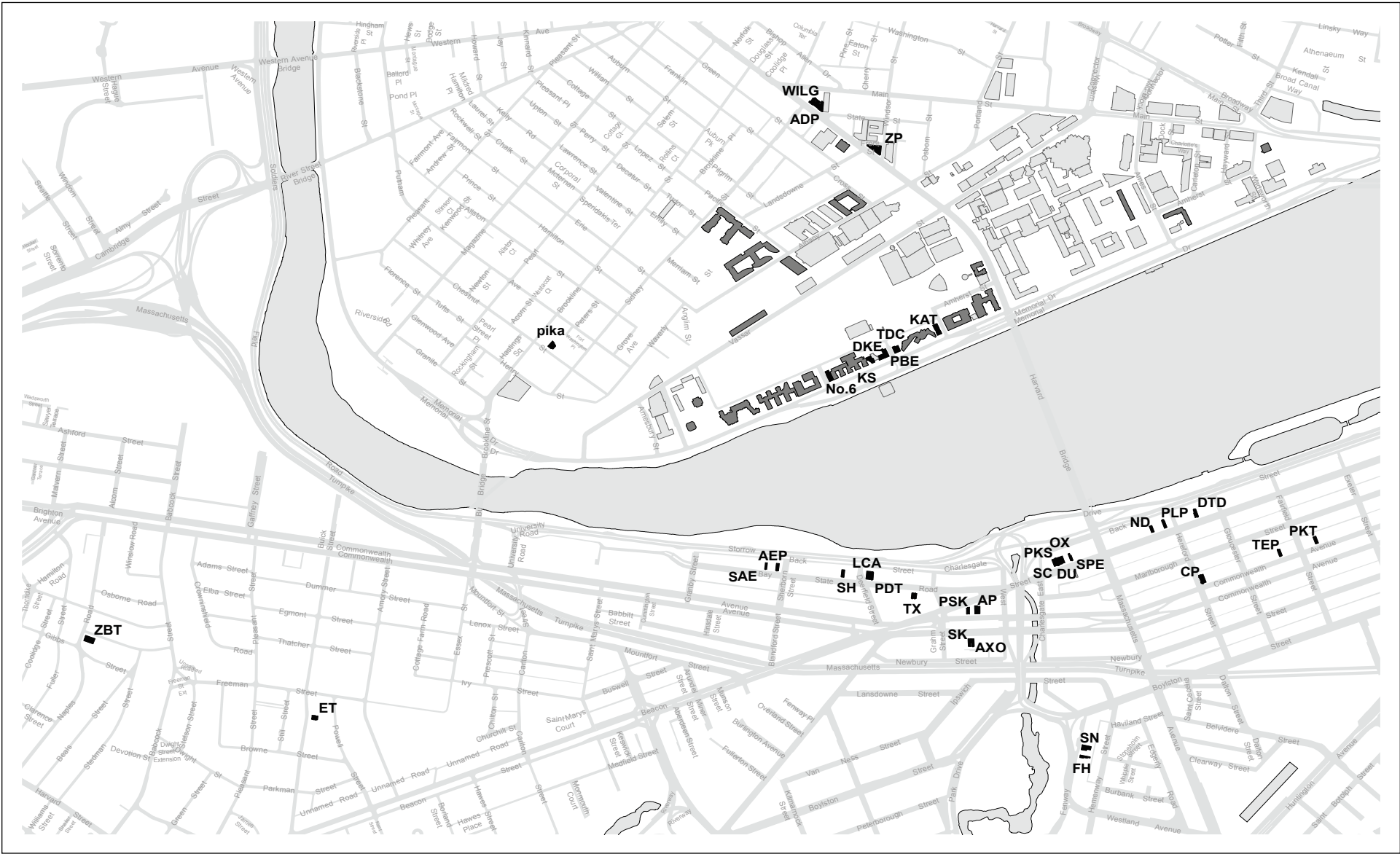
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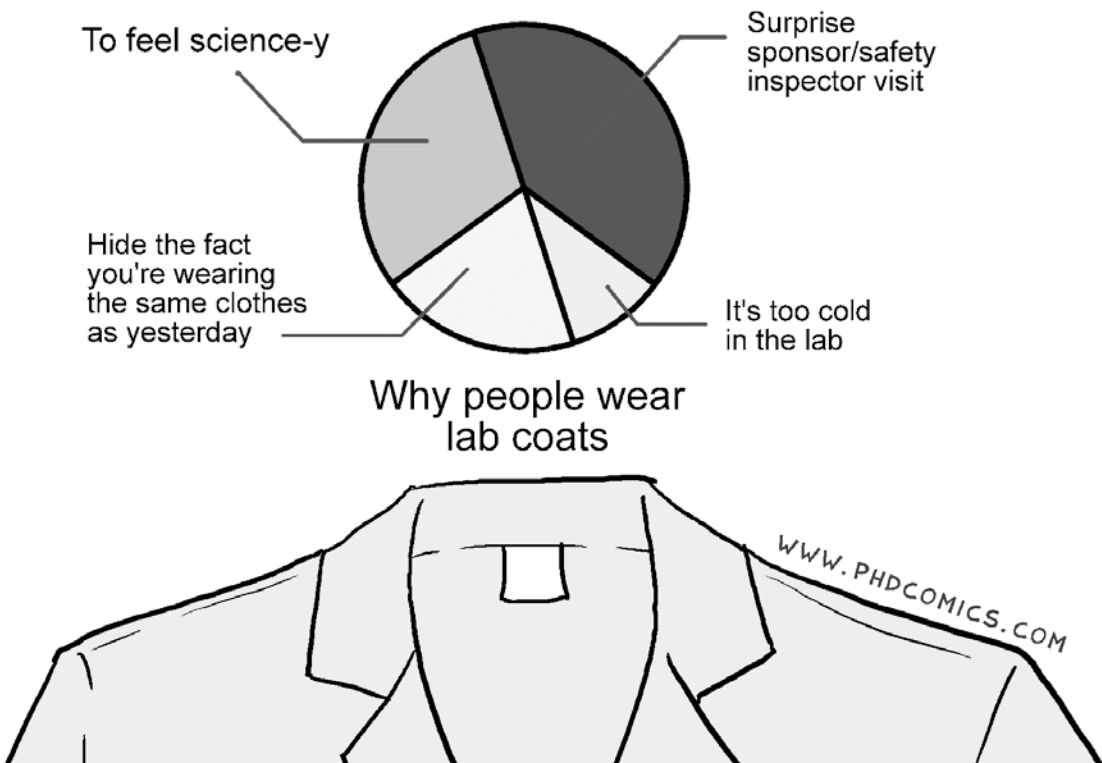
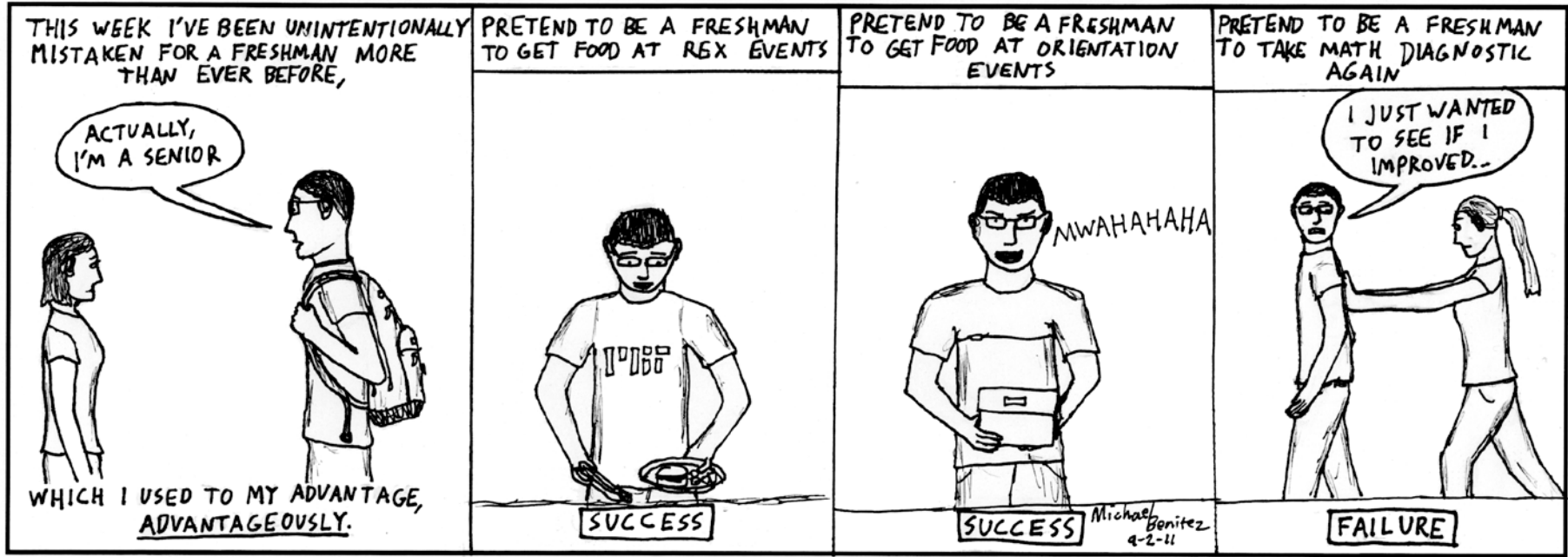
1 PM — **WILG**  
Introductory Outdoor Rock Climbing Class. No rock climbing experience necessary. Just bring a love of outdoors and a sense of adventure. Limited spots, advance sign up required. Sign up during a house dinner before Thursday, 9/15!

19:00

7 PM — **WILG**  
Homemade Pizza & Brownies. Join us for a delicious dinner at WILG, followed by warm, gooey brownies.




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# Crossword

## Puzzle

Solution, page 8

**ACROSS**

1 Obsolete item

16 "The Sorcerer's Apprentice" and others

17 Pet that's larger than a toy

18 Group originally named the Jolly Corks

19 Zaire's Mobutu Sese \_\_\_

20 No longer serving: Abbr.

21 Bk. before Job

24 Themes

27 Try to bean, in baseball

30 Easing of tension

31 Roadside grazer

32 False show

34 Fountain beverage

36 Verdi aria that translates to "It was you"

37 Diamond stats

41 Hearty entrée

44 Caviar, say

45 Quantities possessing only magnitude

48 Veneration

50 Seat of Washington's Pierce County

51 1956 Mideast crisis site

52 Part of a loop

53 "Given that ..."

57 McAn of shoes

60 Tax service, familiarly

65 It may be awakened after a period of inattention

66 Retail security staff

**DOWN**

1 Tiptop

2 Shadow

3 Hid out, with "down"

4 "Yea, verily"

5 Actress Vardalos

6 Contracted, as an illness

7 Burden

8 Cab hailer

9 Serious trip

10 Some triangle sides

11 WWII zone

12 Kung \_\_\_ chicken

13 Second man on the moon

14 Choose

15 Safari menace

22 Local govt. unit

23 Half-baked

25 They may end with 27-Down

26 Equal

27 Passes may result in them: Abbr.

28 "Yoo-\_\_\_!"

29 Alaska and La., once

30 Remove pitch stains from

33 Spanish uncle

35 Alice's chronicler

38 Soviet leader who signed SALT I and II

39 Biennial games org.

40 Tennis unit

42 Descartes's conclusion

43 Nashville sch.

45 Connecting flights

46 Customs exemption for an auto

47 Customer ID

49 Czar known as "the Great"

54 Lose color

55 Narrow opening

56 Normandy river

58 York's river

59 "Miracle" 1969 World Series winners

61 Chariot ending?

62 "Self-Reliance" essayist's monogram

63 List-ending abbr.

64 Lab caretaker?



We've always had problems with scalpers at PAX Prime. But this year, counterfeiters have upped the ante. And so, our own ante must be... upped.

We have to up it.



## Solution, page 9


9					1			7
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		7	8					5
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5			6					8

Instructions: Fill in the grid so that each column, row, and 3 by 3 grid contains exactly one of each of the digits 1 through 9.

## Solution, page 9

30x		12x		6x	
9+			5x	4	
9+	2-			60x	
	120x			3	
6x		1		20x	
120x					6

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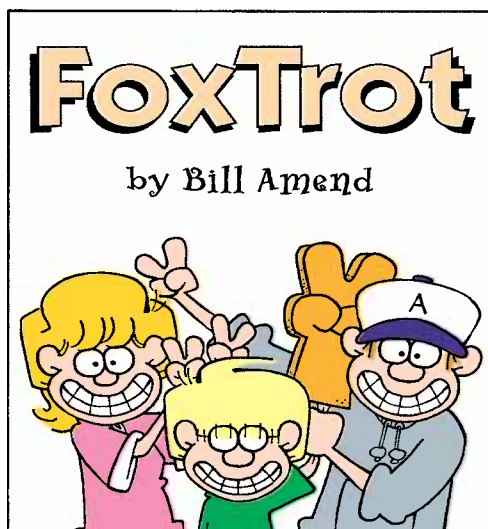
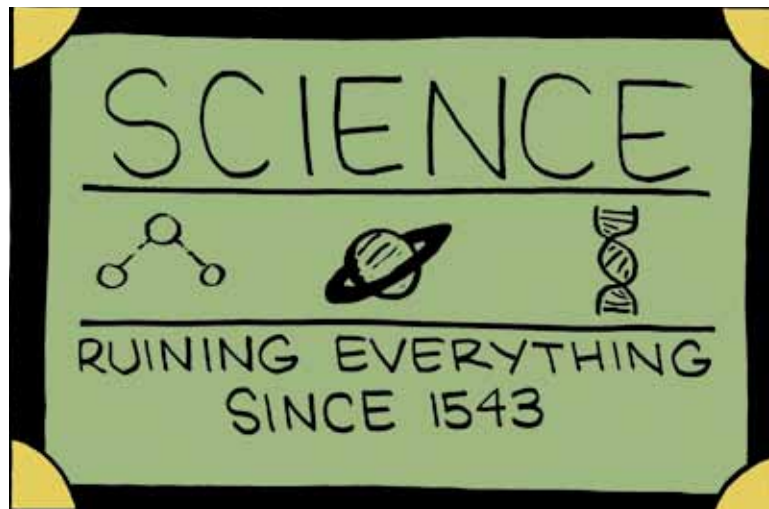
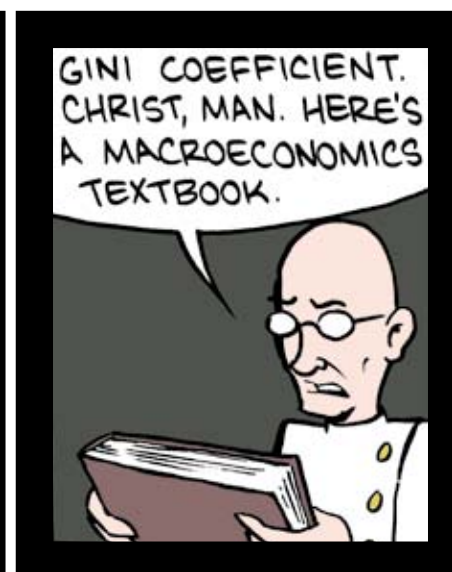
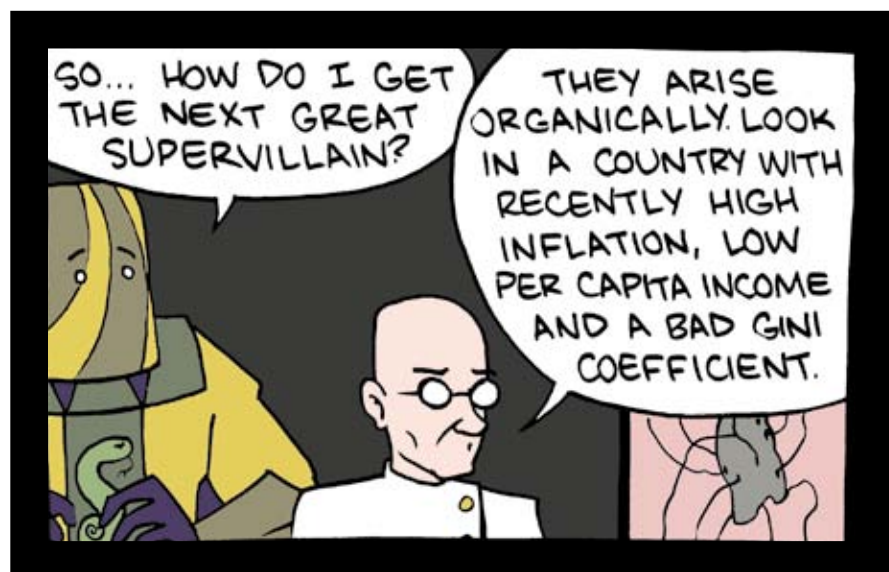
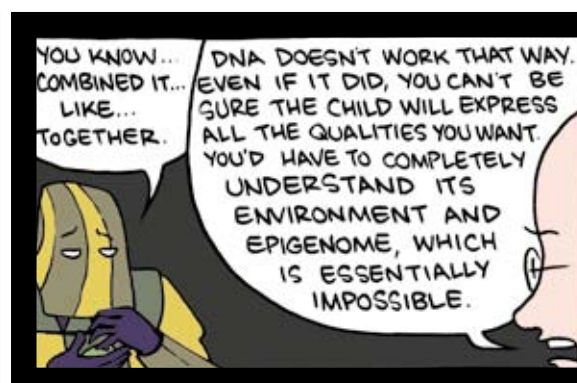
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## OPEN-AIR ART

# Viewer, artist, artist, viewer

Miranda July's sculptural installation *Eleven Heavy Things* reverses the traditional artist-viewer roles



**For some, *Eleven Heavy Things* can turn into a test of acrobatic skills.**

**By Kathryn Dere**  
*ARTS EDITOR*

Miranda July's *Eleven Heavy Things* cleverly skirts the word "sculpture," one of those ill-defined "things" that suggests a commercial object just as often as it does an artistic one. This installation, sculptural merely by virtue of the fact that it is three-dimensional, lets us in on the artistic process and blurs the lines between creator and observer. *Eleven Heavy Things* originally debuted in 2010 in New York's Union Square Park, and its journey to Los Angeles this summer came in conjunction with the release of July's latest film project, *The Future*. Although I have not yet seen the film, this exhibition has certainly whet my appetite for the wacky but strangely

candid ideas that emerge from July's head.

The eleven pieces of *Eleven Heavy Things* are scattered about on the undulating front lawn of the Pacific Design Center, and each piece is meant to be submitted to the kind of treatment that playground equipment endures under the hands of rambunctious, inquisitive kindergartners. *Eleven Heavy Things* makes us feel like we are five years old again and is a perfect photo opportunity. The pieces are not form-driven in the traditional sculptural sense, but many of them are accompanied by sentences and phrases, and all of them elicit laughter or smiles. The trio of ascending pedestals on which you can stand bear the inscriptions "the guilty one," "the guiltier one," and "the guiltiest one." The Burberry shape — a wild floating

headress, familiarly patterned — makes the person posing underneath it look nothing short of ridiculous. One cheeky platform advertises, “We don’t know each other, we’re just hugging for the picture. When we’re done I’ll walk away quickly. It’s almost over.” Another piece takes on a sweeter, more serious tone: “This is my little girl. She is brave and clever and funny. She will have none of the problems that I have. Her heart will never be broken. She will never be humiliated. Self-doubt will not devour her dreams.”

Even if you never end up seeing the installation in person, it is worth a few moments of thought. July's installation encourages a curious, direct interaction not only between object and person, but also between people. By giving solidity to our



**Miranda July poses** with one of her installation pieces from *Eleven Heavy Things*.

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thoughts — and at times putting words into our mouths (“This is not the first hole my finger has been in; nor will it be the last”) — *Eleven Heavy Things* somehow adds another dimension of depth to mundane, day-to-day activities. And next time you sit on one of those empty plinths in Lobby 7, think of what your epithet could be.

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